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## **2009 Annual CUPA Program Letter to Regulated Businesses**

This is the first annual Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA) Program Letter. The purpose of this letter is to let you know of news that may affect you as a permitted facility in the CUPA program.

City of Newark Fire Department decertified as CUPA in January 2009. Newark now falls under the Alameda County Department of Environmental Health (ACDEH) CUPA program. For more information about ACDEH programs go to our website (<http://www.acgov.org/aceh/>).

Please feel free to contact us for more information or for suggestions that would improve our services or the value of this letter for you.

### **Online hazardous materials and underground storage tank reporting is coming!**

Assembly Bill 2286, signed into law in September 2008, requires that by January 1, 2013 all businesses are required to report hazardous materials, hazardous waste, underground tank and aboveground tank related information electronically through the internet. California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal/EPA), in coordination with the local CUPAs, has been given responsibility for implementing this new requirement. A \$25 surcharge will be charged to regulated businesses for three years, beginning July 1, 2009, to generate funds necessary to assist in the development and operation of this statewide electronic reporting system. 75% of the money collected will be used at the local level for implementation of the program.

Until you are notified that electronic reporting is required by us you can choose to submit on paper or you can use the online reporting process at [www.unidocs.org](http://www.unidocs.org) to submit electronically.

### **Disputes**

If you have a disagreement with the inspector, please let us know. Our goal is to make our program more responsive to you without reducing our regulatory enforcement requirements.

For more information, please contact your assigned Alameda County CUPA inspector or CUPA Program Manager, Susan Hugo at 510-567-6780. You can also find more information on our website ([www.acgov.org/aceh/](http://www.acgov.org/aceh/)) or on the Cal/EPA website ([www.calepa.ca.gov/CUPA/](http://www.calepa.ca.gov/CUPA/)).