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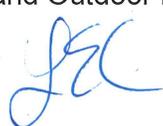
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Senate Natural Resources Committee Members
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FROM: Liesl Eichler Clark, Director 

DATE: November 8, 2019

SUBJECT: Report on Leaking Underground Storage Tank Closure Report Statistics

In accordance with Section 21334 of Part 213, Leaking Underground Storage Tanks, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, attached is the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy's (EGLE) report on Leaking Underground Storage Tank Closure Report Statistics for fiscal year 2019.

If you need further information, please contact Joshua Mosher, Acting Assistant Division Director, Remediation and Redevelopment Division, at 517-284-5134; or you may contact me at 517-284-6708.

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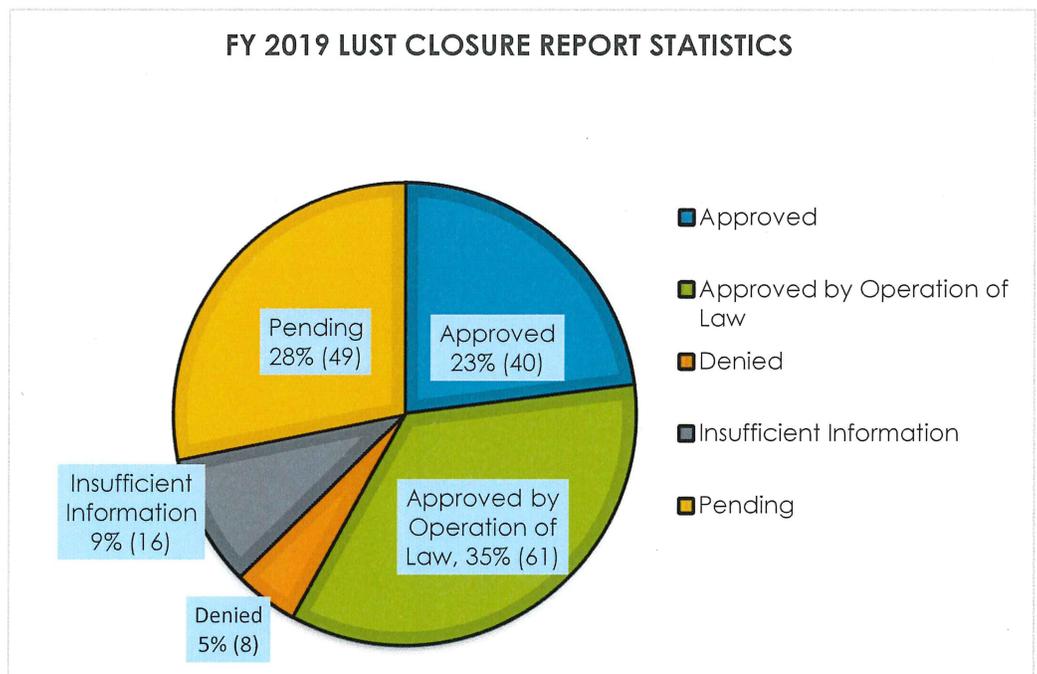
Leaking Underground Storage Tank Closure Report Statistics

Report Period: Fiscal Year 2019

A Closure Report documents that corrective actions have been completed where contamination was released to the environment. It details that contaminants at the site have been remediated and/or the risks are controlled by land or resource use restrictions and the owner/operator has achieved a regulatory endpoint. In fiscal year (FY) 2019, there were 166 releases closed; 144 by the owner/operator and 22 by the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) state-funded actions. There is a cumulative total of 15,402 Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) releases closed (the cumulative total includes approximately 792 releases closed by EGLE’s state-funded actions). Risks to safe drinking water and clean air have been reduced or eliminated through the LUST Program closures.

A total of LUST Closure Reports available for audit in FY 2019: 122 Closure Reports received in FY 2019, and 52 Closure Reports received prior to FY 2019 that were pending review at the beginning of FY 2019. Note that prior to FY 2019, this report only included statistics for Closure Reports received during the fiscal year.

A total of 101 approvals occurred; this includes 33 approved after audit, 7 approved with conditions after audit, and 61 approved by operation of law without audit under Part 213, Leaking Underground Storage Tanks, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (NREPA).



There were 8 LUST Closure Reports denied by EGLE due to failure to meet the statutory requirements for closure, and 16 Closure Reports had insufficient information in the report for EGLE to make a regulatory decision. A total of 49 Closure Reports are pending decisions.

There were no contested case hearings held pursuant to Section 21332 of Part 213.

There were also no issues needing resolution by the Response Activity Review Panel pursuant to Section 20114e of Part 201, Environmental Remediation, of the NREPA.

This report is provided in accordance with Section 21334 of Part 213.

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