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To all CUPAs and PAs

Subject: 7-Eleven Underground Storage Tank Settlement

A multi-county task force recently reached a settlement with 7-Eleven (Southland Corporation) regarding underground tank violations at a number of their gas stations. This settlement included \$325,000.00 to be administered by California CUPA Forum Board for scholarships to multi-jurisdictional and multi-media training.

This is a wonderful example of the benefits of a multi-jurisdictional enforcement approach and of the sort of supplemental environmental projects that can be included in negotiated settlements. The agencies and the individuals involved from San Joaquin County, Monterey County, Sacramento County and the State Attorney General's Office are to be commended.

We have posted on our website (www.calcupa.net) detailed information regarding this scholarship program, including a more detailed explanation of the scholarship program, a list of funds available by agency, an application form, and the reimbursement claim form.

In those jurisdictions with both a CUPA and a Participating Agency, agreements will need to be reached concerning how the available funds will be allocated. The CUPA Forum Board will be contacting those agencies to address this issue in further detail.

If you have any questions regarding this grant that are not answered by the documents posted on our website, please contact me at dstefani@lpfire.org or 925-454-2338 or contact Sheryl Baldwin at sheryl@ccdeh.com or 916-944-0815.

Sincerely,

Danielle Stefani
Chair, CUPA Forum Board