**Legal Title**  
Underground Storage Tank Tester Account

**Legal Citation/Authority**  
Chapter 1372, Statutes of 1987  
Health and Safety Code sections 25280-25299.7

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**Purpose**  
Fees and civil fines collected for the purpose of implementing the Tank Tester Licensing program.

The Tank Tester Licensing program is administered by the State Water Resources Control Board (Water Board) for individuals who perform tank integrity tests on underground storage tanks containing hazardous substances. As of January 1, 1990, tank tests may be performed only by or under the direct supervision of Water Board-licensed tank testers. Tank testers are required to pay a licensing fee and a renewal fee to support the program.

**Administering Agency/Organization Code**  
State Water Resources Control Board/Org 3940

**Major Revenue Source**  
Fees or civil liability charges.

**Disposition of Fund (upon abolition)**  
Pursuant to Government Code 16346, in the absence of language that identifies a successor fund, any balance remaining in this fund upon abolishment, shall be transferred to the General Fund.

**Appropriation Authority**  
Section 25284.4 of the Health and Safety Code provides that the account will be used, upon appropriation, for the purposes specified.

**State Appropriations Limit**  
Excluded – Revenues in this fund are not proceeds of taxes; however, when transferred, may become proceeds of taxes. These revenues are used to regulate the activities engaged in by the payers.

**Comments/Historical Information**  
Funds were required in fiscal year 1988-89 for program start-up prior to receipt of fee revenues. A $217,000 loan from the General Fund was used to pay for the program’s start-up and has since then been repaid.