

## Underground Storage Tank Indemnification Fund Bulletin 2: Monitored Natural Attenuation

Monitored Natural Attenuation (MNA) at corrective action sites represents an acceptable and proven method of remediation. At sites where this method of remediation is presented as the selected alternative in the Remedial Action Plan (RAP), and has been approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), the Pennsylvania Underground Storage Tank Indemnification Fund (USTIF) will reimburse the claimant for reasonable and necessary costs involved, including costs associated with regular monitoring. The USTIF too often sees charges for work performed, such as quarterly monitoring, where there has been no submission of a Site Characterization Report (SCR) or RAP and, therefore, no approval from the DEP for MNA as the choice for remediation. In other cases, MNA is proposed in the RAP but the DEP requires another type of remedial approach. The USTIF will reimburse claimants for sampling events prior to submission and approval of a SCR/RAP only to the extent that the sampling is reasonable and necessary for completion of the SCR/RAP.

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