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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
MassDEP WASTE SITE CLEANUP TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

The MassDEP is pleased to announce the **Technical Assistance Grant (TAG) Program** for hazardous waste disposal sites. Contingent upon funding in the Department's FY10 budget, grants of up to \$10,000 will be competitively awarded to selected communities and citizen groups, to provide expert advice and public education about hazardous waste site cleanup activities.

As authorized by MGL c. 21E, and as established by the Massachusetts Contingency Plan ("MCP", 310 CMR 40.1450, et. seq.), TAGs are intended to:

- provide access to expert advice and technical assistance about disposal sites,
- encourage more effective participation in response actions by promoting access to and use of information, and
- allow community concerns related to the disposal site to be addressed.

Eligible Applicants are:

- groups of individuals who may be affected by oil and/or hazardous material from a disposal site,
- a city or town which may be affected by oil and/or hazardous material from a disposal site, and
- a district or other political body that owns or operates a public water supply system that may be affected by oil and/or hazardous materials from a disposal site.

Eligible Disposal Sites are sites that have been classified as Tier 1A, 1B, 1C or Tier II as well as those sites deemed Adequately Regulated pursuant to the MCP.

Application Process:

On-line grant applications will be available March 24, 2009 on MassDEP's web site located at: <http://www.mass.gov/dep/cleanup>

To be considered for funding in this funding round, a **full application, which describes the group, the site and the project, must be submitted on-line to MassDEP no later than Friday May 1, 2009.** If you have any questions please contact Patti Mullan at 617-556-1018 or e-mail to: patti.mullan@state.ma.us