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A Report On Federal & State Programs To Control Leaking Underground Storage Tanks

## **SPECIAL APPENDIX to** **Pipes and Sumps—As I See Them** **Thoughts from a Florida UST Inspector**

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The following photos are a supplement to the *LUSTLine 47* article “Pipes and Sumps—As I See Them: Thoughts from a Florida UST Inspector” and help illustrate the article.  
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## **UST SYSTEM PIPING**



**# 1** Rigid FRP pipe with impact damage



**# 2** Rigid FRP pipe with scratch or score on surface

## UST SYSTEM PIPING



#3 Rigid FRP pipe – failure to obtain adequate surface bond



#6 External color change



#4 Internal color change of carrier portion of pipe from ivory to black; very brittle



#7 External color change



#5 Internal color change



#8 Black mold growth; degradation of single-wall pipe's external cover

## UST SYSTEM PIPING



#9 Degradation of outer layer of single-walled pipe



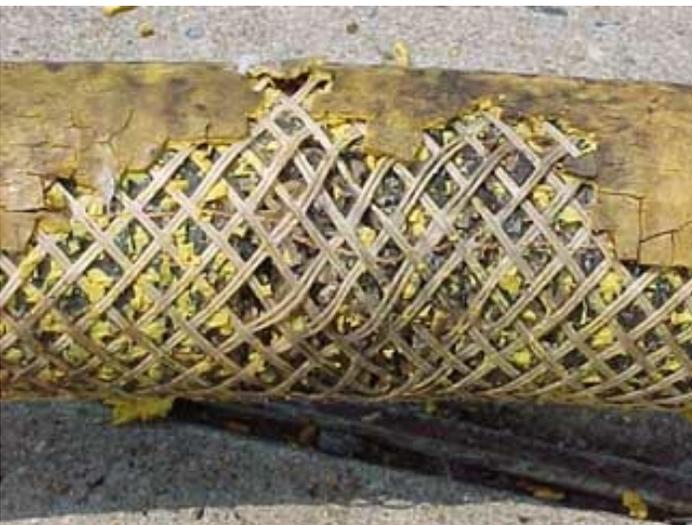
#12 Jelling of single-walled pipe



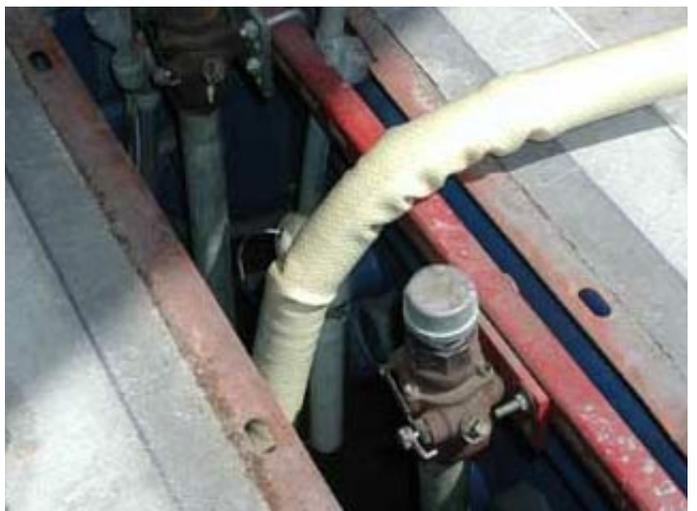
#10 Subsequent to degradation of outer skin, the substrate of the pipe becomes granular



#13 Softening of single-walled pipe with product being squeezed out



#11 Loss of substrate integrity



#14 Softening of single-walled pipe

## UST SYSTEM PIPING



#15 Blowout – generally occurs near end of pipe



#18 Blowout; also note the apparent growth of pipe evidenced by the exposed “clean section”



#16 Blowout



#19 Blowout – reverse view



#17 Blowout



#20 Blowout – at sump wall

## UST SYSTEM PIPING



#21 Apparent 3-inch growth in secondary pipe layer



#24 Primary pipe jacket damage



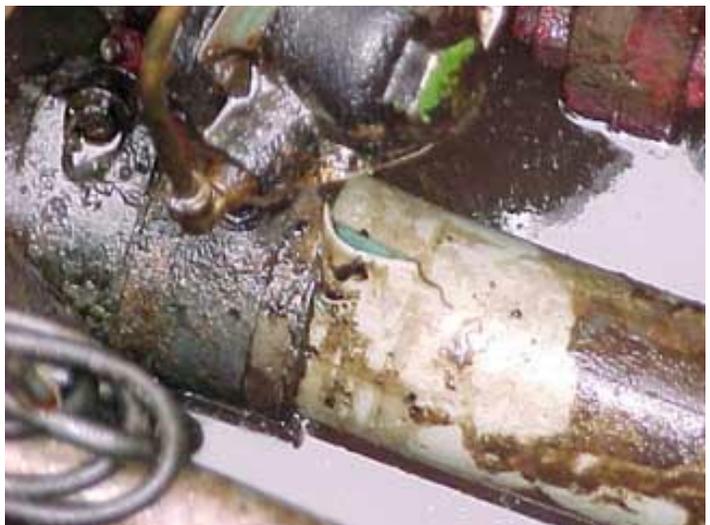
#22 Secondary layer overrides fitting



#25 Primary pipe jacket damage



#23 Split fitting resulting in disconnection of pipe



#26 Growing pipe meets fitting

## UST SYSTEM PIPING



#27 Cracking of outer layer of primary pipe



#30 Secondary pipe layer overrides fitting; metallic fittings pushed out of vertical orientation



#28 Cracking of outer layer of primary pipe



#31  
Radical  
kink in pipe



#29 Pipe growth pushes metallic fittings out of vertical orientation; black boot torn away from sump wall



#32 Interesting orientation of pipe; note scrunching of pipe skin at sharp bend-radius points.

## UST SYSTEM PIPING



**#33** Two sharp bends in double-wall pip; note scrunching/slippage of secondary layer



**#36** Split in secondary pipe; note that there appears to be a pvc-chase pipe penetrating the sump wall



**#34** Orientation of pipe after disconnection from pump



**#37** Split pipe



**#35** Split in primary pipe outer layer



**#38** Split of secondary pipe; apparent failure of primary layer underneath

## UST SYSTEM PIPING



#39 Crack in pipe



#42 Exposed cracks in primary pipe wall



#40 Hairline crack in secondary pipe



#43 Expansion of primary pipe blocks communication avenue of blue secondary



#41 Loss of structural integrity of carrier portion of primary pipe



#44 Swell of primary against secondary

## UST SYSTEM PIPING



#45 Swell of primary against secondary



#48 Loosening or “alligatoring” of primary pipe skin



#46 Swell of primary against secondary



#49 Loosening of primary pipe skin



#47 Loosening of primary pipe skin; torn boot



#50 Discoloration and loosening of primary pipe skin

## UST SYSTEM PIPING



#51 Cracked fitting



#52 Cracked fitting

## UST SYSTEM SUMPS



**#53** Ripple in sump wall; torn boots; shift in pipe position within secondary pipe



**#55** Ripple in wall; shift in pipe position within secondary pipe



**#54** Ripple in sump wall; torn boot; shift in pipe position within secondary pipe; water intrusion due to apparent loss of secondary integrity



**#56** Torn boot



**#57** Tank secondary jacket deformed

## UST SYSTEM SUMPS



**#58** Tank secondary jacket deformed; note shift in primary pipe orientation within secondary pipe; loosening of primary pipe skin; discoloration of primary pipe



**#61** Pipe sump floor warped



**#59** Floor of dispenser sump warped



**#62** Transition sump floor pushed up into contact with primary pipe; primary pipe, in turn, in contact with secondary pipe (groundwater at 2-3 feet below land surface)

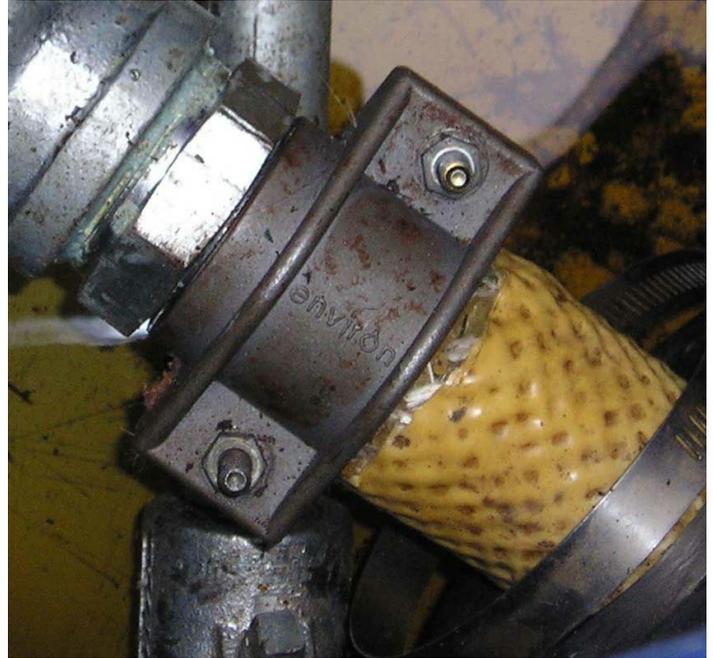


**#60** Pipe sump floor warped

## UST SYSTEM CONTRACTOR ERROR



**#63 Contractor Error** – failure to use sump manufacturer specified wall penetration fitting & oblique angle of wall penetration



**#65 Contractor Error** – mating two different manufacturer's product



**#64 Contractor Error** – “Scuff Guard” layer penetrates sump wall – this layer should terminate outside the wall