

# Testing and Service Technician Requirements in California

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# Topics

- 💧 California is different
  - 💧 Releases and Reasons
- 💧 Office of Tank Tester Licensing
- 💧 Service Technician Requirements
- 💧 Enforcement of Testing



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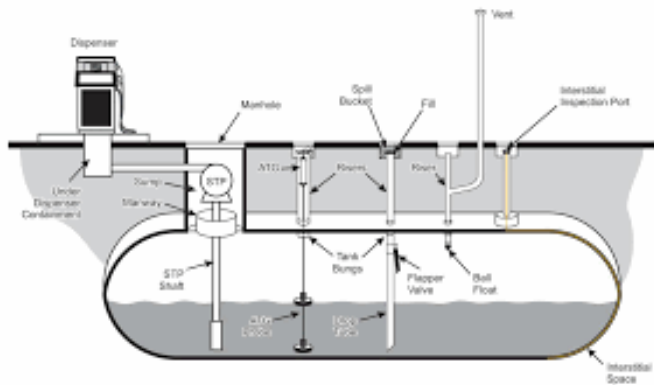
Consistent strong environmental policy

- Political will

UST Codes and Regulation began 1985

Population 1985 – 25.8 million

Population Today – 39.3 million



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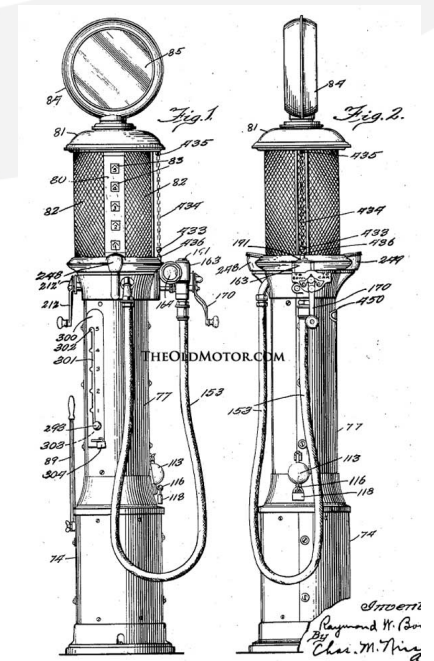






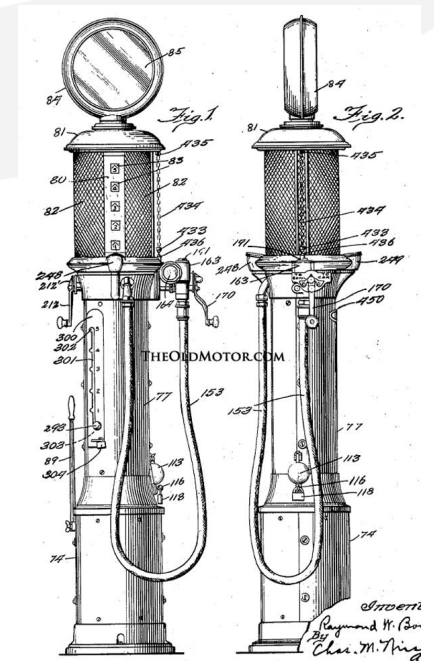
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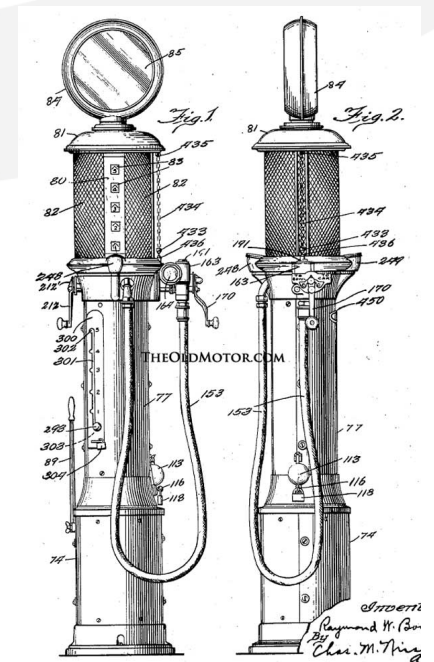
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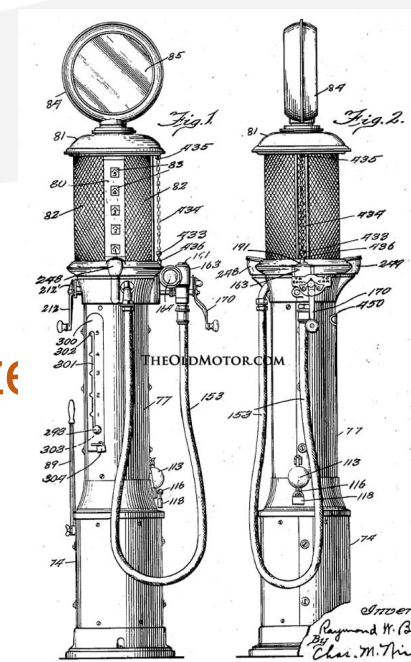
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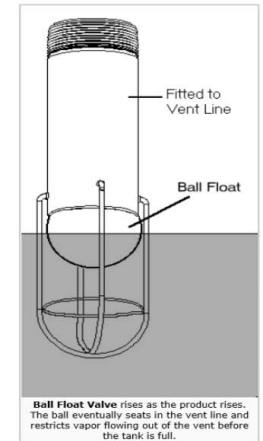
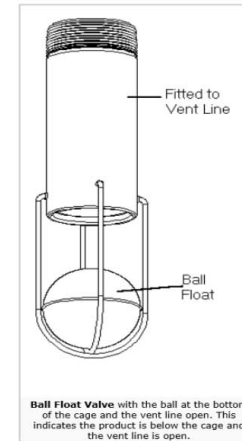
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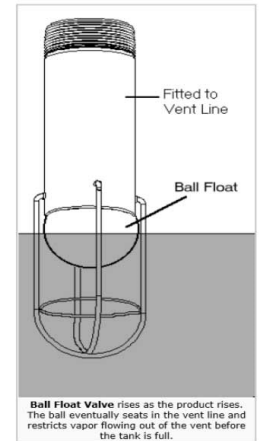
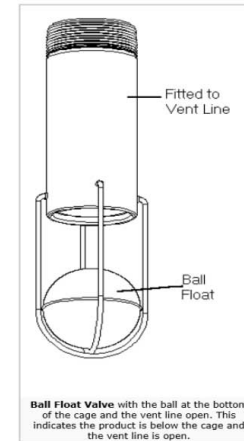
# UST Service Technicians

- **Established in Regulation – 2004**
  - UST Service Technicians
  - Designated UST Operators
  - UST Inspectors
  - UST Installers and Retrofitters



# UST Service Technicians

- **UST Service Technician Requirements**
  - California Contractor License
  - International Code Counsel Certification
  - Manufacturer Training
  - May be the future for tightness testing



# Enforcement of Testing

## Office of Tank Tester Licensing

- Testers subject to civil penalties
- Up to one year in jail and \$10,000 for tampering

## Service Technicians

- Penalty to UST Owner or Operator
- \$500-5000/day/tank/violation





Questions?



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