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To: House Environment and Transportation Committee

From: Ellen Valentino

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Re: SB 661 MD Oil Disaster Containment, Clean-up and Contingency Fund and Oil Contaminated Site Environmental Cleanup – Funding, Reallocation, and Reimbursements - Support

This program and fund, in some form, **has been in effect for over 30-years**. The fund assists heat oil tank owners with cleanup costs and provides funding for MDE's oil pollution programs and staffing.

Our industry has always supported the fund and the purpose. The program is set to expire – and should be extended.

The legislation as amended by the Senate extends the current law without a fee change. The bill also adds study language that requires MDE to study and report back recommendations regarding the continuation of the fund and recommendations to improve the State's response to aging residential heating oil tanks.

Thank you. We ask for a favorable report.

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