# UST Registration Guide for Tank Owners with a

## <u>Preparer</u>

This guide should be used when someone other than the Tank Owner is preparing the tank registration form (for example, the Lessee/Tenant, Consultant, or A/B Operator). If the Tank Owner is preparing and submitting the form themselves, please see the instruction guide called "UST Registration Guide for Tank Owners (no preparer involved)."

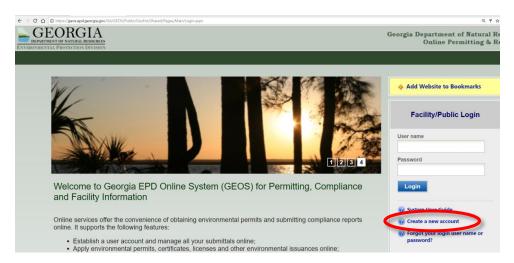
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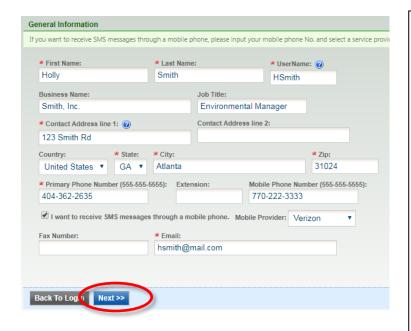
Disclaimer: GEOS was designed to work best in Internet Explorer Web Browser version 8 and later.

## 1. <u>Tank Owner Creates a Responsible</u> <u>Official (R.O.) Account</u>

Step 1.1 (Tank Owner): Go to geos.epd.georgia.gov/GA/GEOS/Public and click "Create a New Account".



Step 1.2 (Tank Owner): Enter tank owner contact information. Click Next.

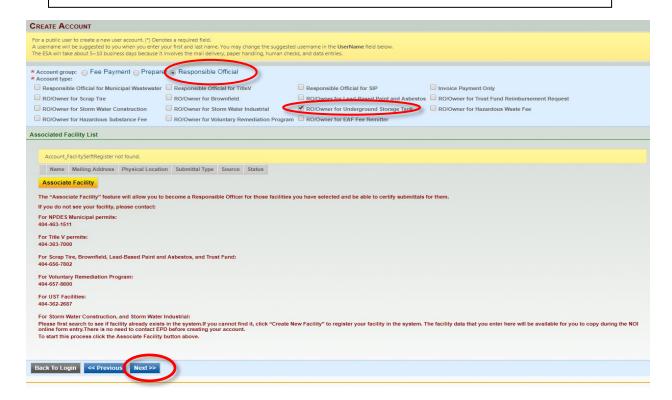


- ✓ The R.O. information entered here will appear on the registration form.
- If the system indicates the username is already in use, select your own unique username.
- ✓ If the system indicates the email address is already in use, you have already created an account and you should log in using the username and password provided to you via email.
- ✓ If you forgot your user name or password, click "Back to Login" and "Forgot User Name or Password".

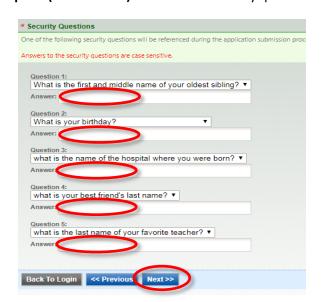
## Step 1.3 (Tank Owner): Select "Responsible Official" and "RO/Owner for Underground Storage Tank". Click Next.

#### **Helpful Hints:**

✓ If you have multiple permits with EPD , you may select other RO options (e.g. Scrap Tire).



Step 1.4 (Tank Owner): Answer the security questions then click "Next".



- Write down your answers, you will need them later
- Answers are case sensitive

Step 1.5 (Tank Owner): Enter the characters you see and click "Proceed with e-Verify".

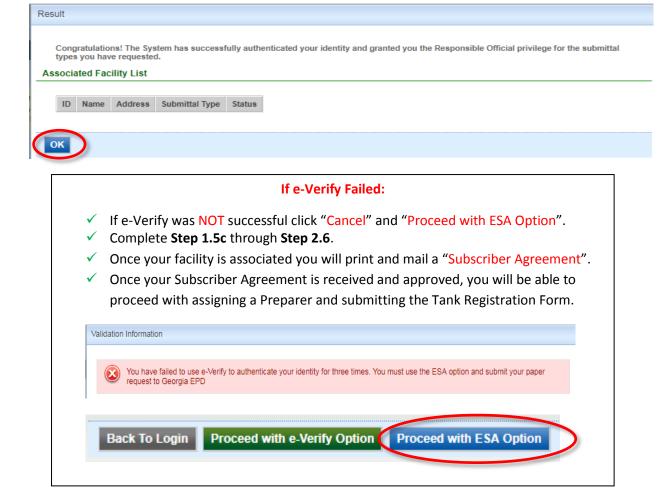


Step 1.5a (Tank Owner): Enter your information and click "Continue Registration Process".

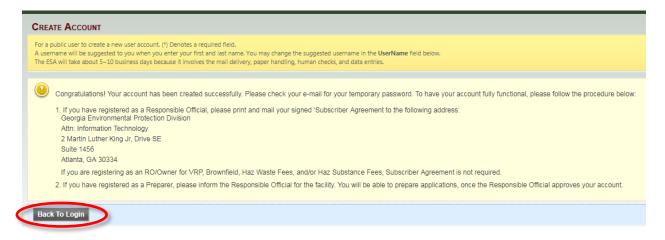
- ✓ Use your legal name
- ✓ Enter your home address with correct zip code
- Entering your business address will cause your e-verify to FAIL
- Enter your home phone number
- ✓ Contact the GEOS Help Desk at 404-656-5261 before you use your last e-verify attempt

#### Authorized Representative Last Name: First Name: Middle Name: \* SSN (Last 4 digits): \* Home Address 1: Home Address 2: \* Home State: \* Home Zip: GA ▼ \* Home Phone (555-555-5555): ★ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): e-Verify Help Message (Your account has 3 opportunities to use e-Verify option): 1. You have 3 opportunities to use e-Verify to authenticate your identity. If successful, your account will be automatically approved for submitting reports. If you fail after 3 attempts, you must use the ESA option and submit your paper request which will take a bit longer to get approval. 2. Make sure your data is complete and accurate. You need to use your residence address (identical to one used for your tax returns or driver license). If you just moved to a new location within past 6 months, use your previous residence address. The address on your account shall be your current residence address and could be different from the one you use for e-Verify. 3. Your last 4-digit of SSN and D.O.B. will only be used for this e-Verify session. The data will not be saved in the System. 4. Before you use the last e-Verify opportunity, it is highly recommended that you contact GEOS Help Desk (404) 656-5261 for assistance, to avoid any potential delay to obtain your account approval. You have (3) opportunity (opportunities) left e-Verify Results Continue Registration Process | Cancel

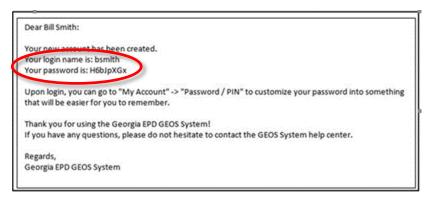
Step 1.5b (Tank Owner): If e-Verify was successful, you will see the screen below. Click "OK".



**Step 1.5c (Tank Owner):** Next, click "Back to Login" and it will take you back to the Home Screen.

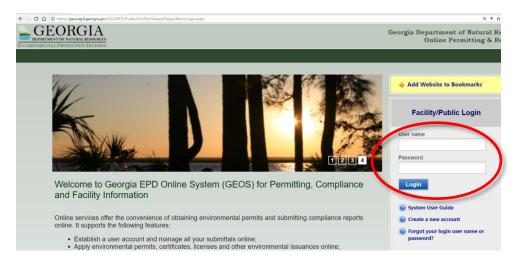


**Step 1.6 (Tank Owner):** An email will be sent to you from <a href="mailto:GovOnline@govonlinesaas.com">GovOnline@govonlinesaas.com</a> with a username and temporary password.



- If you don't receive an email, check your junk mail.
- If you don't see an email in your junk email folder, contact your IT department.

**Step 1.7 (Tank Owner):** Go to geos.epd.georgia.gov/GA/GEOS/Public and Log In using the username and password provided in the email you received.



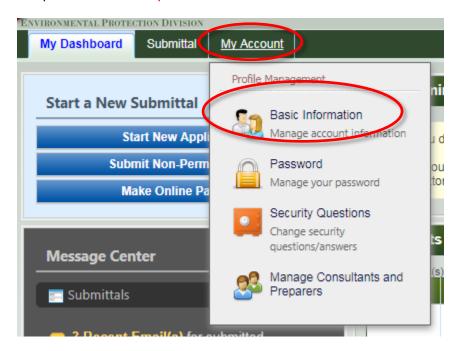
**Step 1.8 (Tank Owner):** Once you log back in the system will ask you to create a new Password and a PIN number.



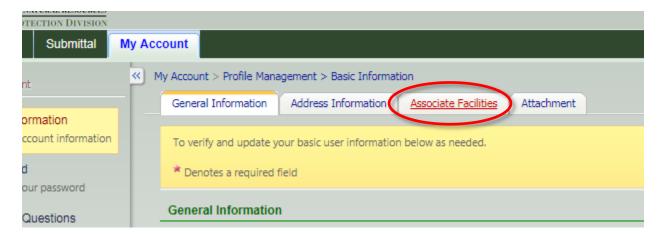
- Write down your Password, you will need it later.
- Write down your PIN, you will need it later.

## 2. <u>Tank Owner Associates UST Facility(ies)</u> and UST Registration Form(s)

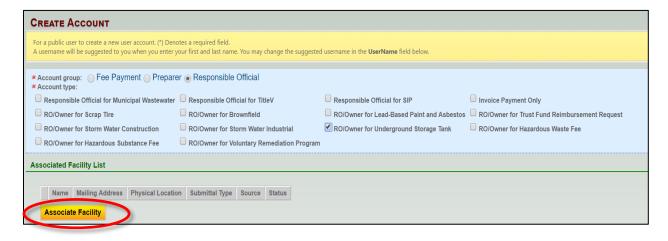
**Step 2.1 (Tank Owner):** Go to <a href="mailto:geos.epd.georgia.gov/GA/GEOS/Public">geos.epd.georgia.gov/GA/GEOS/Public</a> and Log In using your username and password. Click "My Account" and "Basic Information"



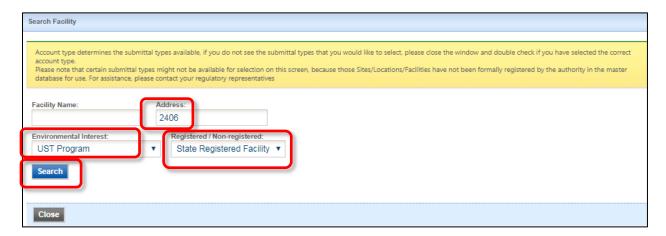
Step 2.2 (Tank Owner): Click "Associate Facilities"



Step 2.3 (Tank Owner): Click "Associate Facility" button

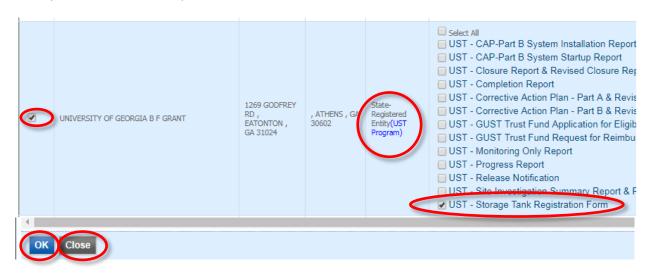


**Step 2.4 (Tank Owner):** Fill out the "Address", "Environmental Interest", "Registered/Non-registered" boxes and click "Search".



- ✓ ONLY enter the street number or street name, NOT the full address
- ✓ If you need to narrow down the search, enter only a partial facility name
- ✓ If you have more than one facility, please repeat Step 2.4 until all of your facilities are entered

**Step 2.5 (Tank Owner):** Select your facility and the UST Storage Tank Registration Form. Then click "OK". Once you have added all of your facilities, click "Close".



Make sure the facility you select has "UST PROGRAM" listed. If not, go back to Step 2.3.

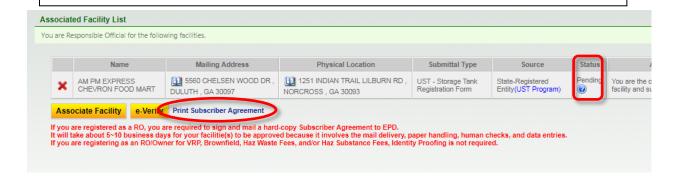
**Step 2.6 (Tank Owner):** Review your information, if the **Submittal Type** says "UST – Storage Tank Registration Form" and the **Status** says "Active" you may proceed to Section 4. If the **Status** says "Pending" or if you selected "Proceed with ESA Option", please see the following page.



If you selected "Proceed with ESA Option" in Step 1.5, please see next page.

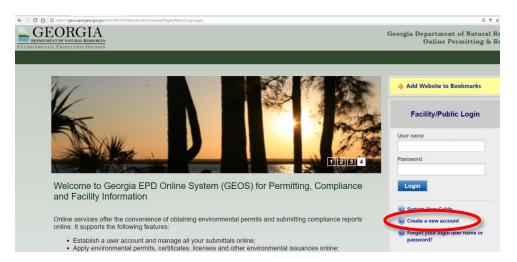
#### If You Selected "Proceed with ESA Option" in Section 1.5

- ✓ You will see something similar to the image below
- ✓ Your Status will say "Pending"
- ✓ Print your "Subscriber Agreement", sign, and mail to the address provided on the form.
- ✓ Once your Subscriber Agreement is received and approved, the Status will change to "Active" and you will be able to proceed. This may take a few weeks, so periodically check under "My Account" and "Associate Facilities" to check the Status.
- ✓ Once the Status changes to "Active", you may proceed to Section 4.

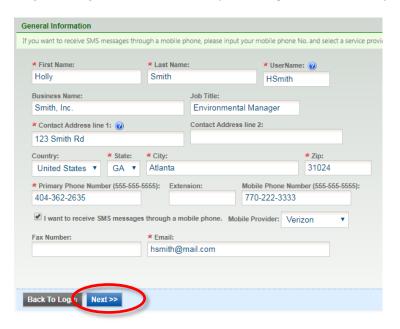


### 3. <u>Preparer Creates a "Preparer" Account</u>

Step 3.1 (Preparer): Go to geos.epd.georgia.gov/GA/GEOS/Public and click "Create a New Account"

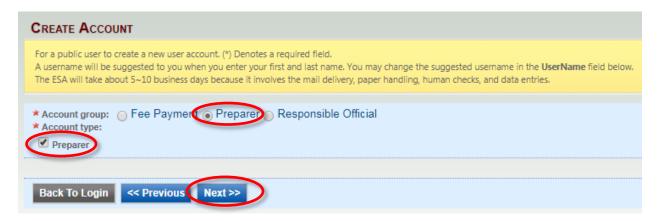


Step 3.2(Preparer): Enter the "Preparer" (e.g. Consultant or Operator) information and click "Next"

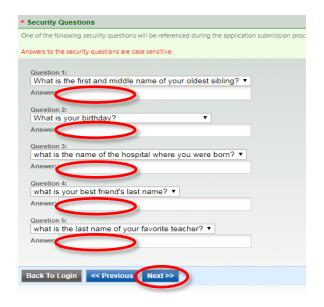


- ✓ If the system indicates the username is already in use, select your own unique username.
- ✓ If the system indicates the email address is already in use, you have already created an account and you should log in using the username and password provided to you via email.

**Step 3.3 (Preparer):** Select the "Preparer" in the account group list and click the checkbox next to "Preparer". Click "Next".

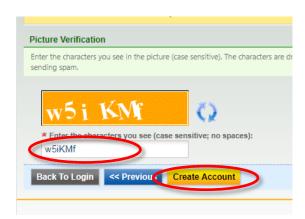


Step 3.4 (Preparer): Fill out the security questions then click "Next".

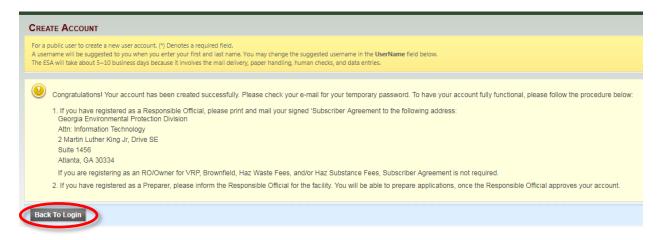


- Write down your answers, you will need them later
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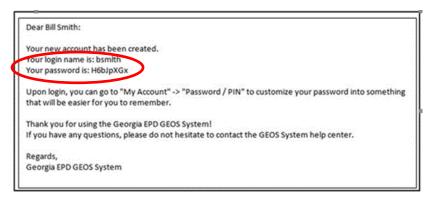
**Step 3.5 (Preparer):** To finish creating your account, enter the characters you see then click "Create Account"



**Step 3.6 (Preparer):** Inform the Tank Owner to assign you to their R.O. account. Next, click "Back to Login" and it will take you back to the Home Screen.

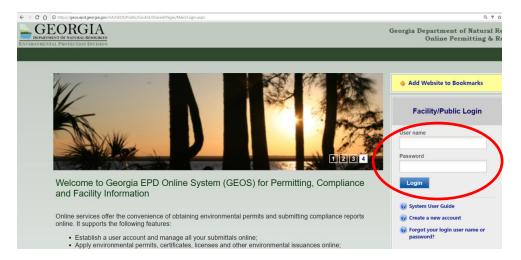


**Step 3.7 (Preparer):** An email will be sent to you from <a href="mailto:GovOnline@govonlinesaas.com">GovOnline@govonlinesaas.com</a> with your username and temporary password.

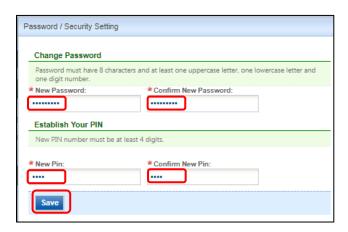


- If you don't receive an email, check your junk mail.
- If you don't see an email in your junk email folder, contact your IT department.

**Step 3.8 (Preparer):** Go to geos.epd.georgia.gov/GA/GEOS/Public and Log In using the "Preparer" username and password provided in the email you received.



**Step 3.9 (Preparer):** Once you log back in you will create a new password and a PIN number.

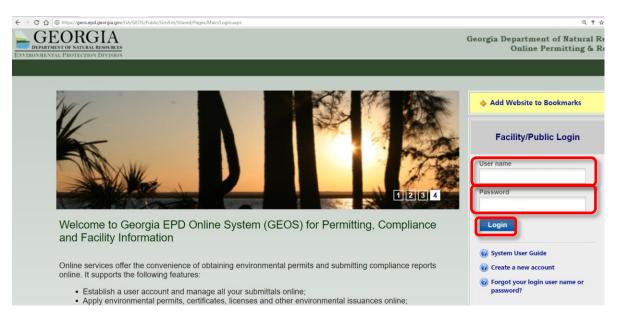


- ✓ Write down your Password, you will need it later.
- Write down your PIN, you will need it later.

**Step 3.10 (Preparer):** After the Tank Owner (RO) adds you as their Preparer, you may log in to GEOS to submit the UST Tank Registration Form for each facility you are a Preparer for (see page 19).

## 4. <u>Tank Owner Assigns the Preparer to</u> <u>Complete the Tank Registration</u>

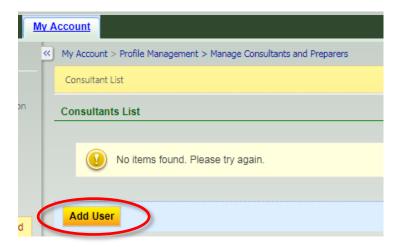
**Step 4.1 (Tank Owner):** Go to <a href="https://geos.epd.georgia.gov/GA/GEOS/Public">https://geos.epd.georgia.gov/GA/GEOS/Public</a> enter your user name and password and click "Login".



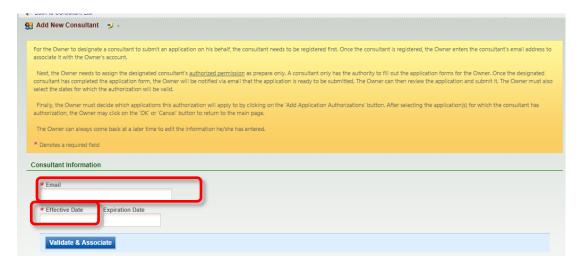
Step 4.2 (Tank Owner): Click "My Account" and "Manage Consultants and Preparers"



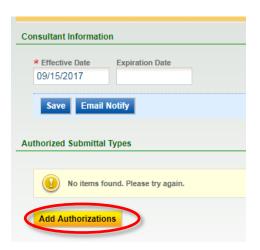
Step 4.3 (Tank Owner): Click "Add User".



**Step 4.4 (Tank Owner):** Enter the email address the Preparer used to create their account and todays date.



Step 4.5 (Tank Owner): Click "Add Authorizations".

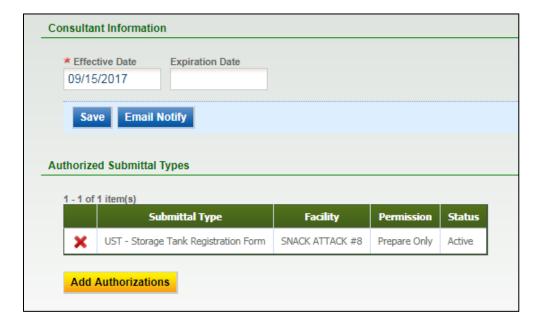


**Step 4.6 (Tank Owner):** Select "UST- Storage Tank Registration Form", "Prepare Only", and the applicable facilities. Then click "OK".





**Step 4.7 (Tank Owner):** After clicking OK, it should look similar to this:



**Step 4.8 (Tank Owner):** Now the Preparer can complete the registration form. After the Preparer completes the registration form, the R.O. will receive an email similar to that shown below and can proceed to Section 6.

Dear Makiah Graves:

The Preparer Holly Nelson has prepared the following Application, and is ready for review and submittal. Application ID: 65890

Application Name: UST - Storage Tank Registration Form

Thank you for using the Georgia EPD GEOS System!

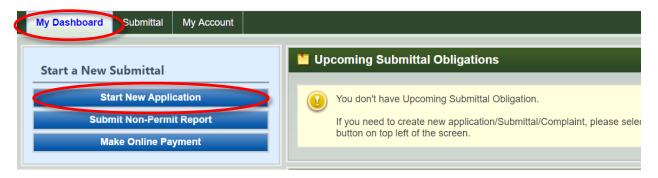
If you have any questions, please contact GEOS System help center.

Regards,

Georgia EPD GEOS System

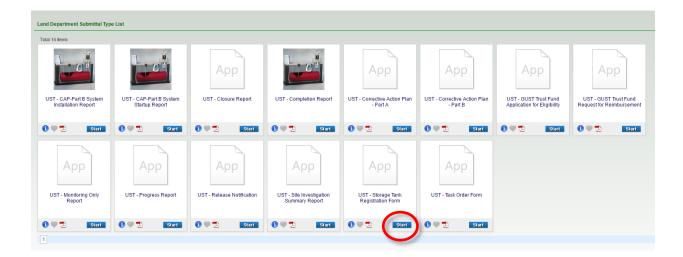
## 5. <u>Preparer Completes the Tank</u> <u>Registration Form</u>

**Step 5.1 (Preparer):** Log in to GEOS using Preparer login info, Go to "My Dashboard" and click "Start New Application"

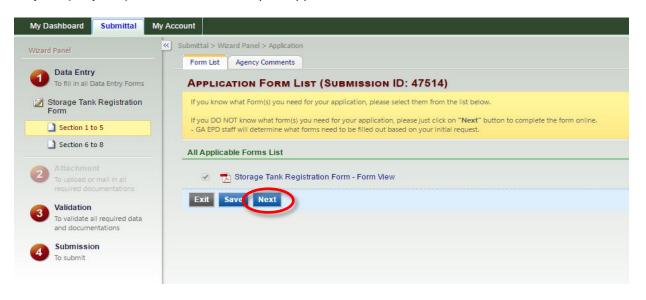


Step 5.2 (Preparer): Find the "UST-Storage Tank Registration Form" icon and click "Start".

- ✓ If you do NOT see the "UST-Storage Tank Registration" option, your facility or submittal type did not Associate properly.
- Refer to Section 2 (page 7) for instructions on associating your facility and registration form.



Step 5.3 (Preparer): Click "Next" to start your application.



Step 5.4 (Preparer): Select "Annual Rewewal", there are 8 parts that you need to complete.

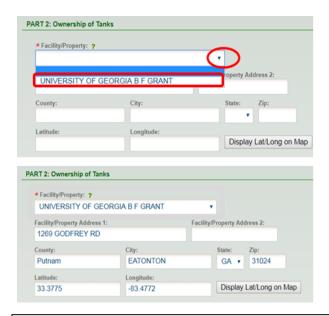


- ✓ For existing facilities, select "Annual Renewal" for registration.
- For new installs or facilities that have <u>never</u> been registered with EPD, select the "Click here to download" link, complete the 7530 form, attach tank installation documents, and mail to: GAEPD USTMP at 4244 International Pkwy, Suite 104, Atlanta, GA 30354.
- ✓ Do NOT select "Amend/Modify" or "Terminate" (these options will be used for future registrations only).

Step 5.5 (Part 1) -Preparer: Answer the following questions for the facility you are registering.



**Step 5.5 (Part 2) -Preparer:** Select the R.O.'s facility from the drop down menu.



- Once you select the facility from the dropdown, the address will populate automatically.
- ✓ If you need to change the facility name or facility address, you will need to send a revised 7530 Form to EPD <a href="https://www1.gadnr.org/dnr/ustform/a">www1.gadnr.org/dnr/ustform/a</a>

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- ✓ If you do NOT see your facility in the dropdown menu, EXIT out of the form, go to "My Account" and "Associate Facilities" and check the following:
  - Make sure your Submittal Type says "UST Storage Tank Registration Form". If it
    does not, you will need to click the "Associate Facility" button and add that
    submittal type.
  - Make sure the **Source** says "UST Program". If it does not, you will need to click the "Associate Facility" button and search for your facility with the "UST Program" Source.
  - Make sure the **Status** says "Active". If it does not, you will need to check back in a few days to see if the status has been updated by EPD IT.



Step 5.5 (Part 3) - Preparer: Click "Add New Record", fill out your Operator A information then click the green check to save the data.

#### **Helpful Hints:**

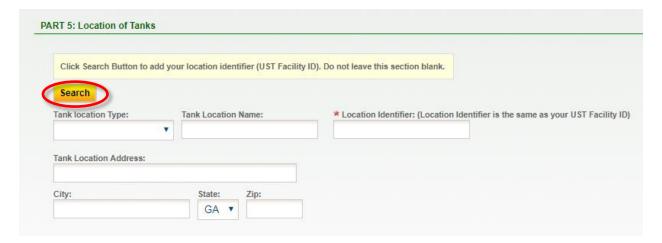
- ✓ You can find your current Operator information on your 7530 form located at www1.gadnr.org/dnr/ustform/app
- ✓ If you have multiple A Operators, click "Add New Record".



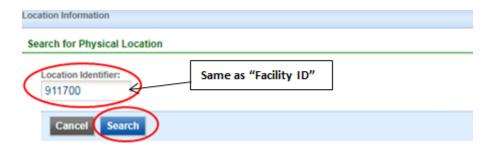
**Step 5.5 (Part 4) - Preparer:** If your Operator B is the same as you're Operator A, click the "Same as above" box. Otherwise, click "Add New Record".



Step 5.5 (Part 5) - Preparer: Click "Search".

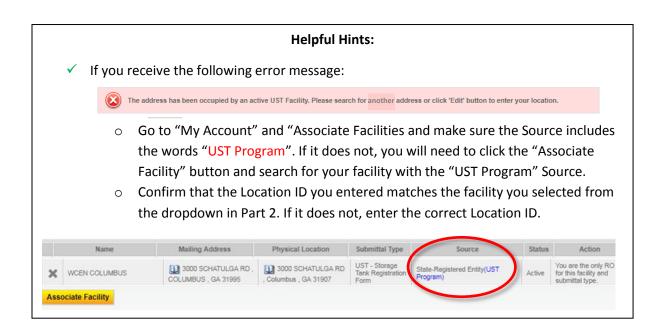


**Step 5.5 (Part 5, Continued)** -**Preparer:** Enter your "Location Identifier", this ID number can be found on your current tank certificate and on the "2018 Annual Tank Registration" letter you received, then click "Search"

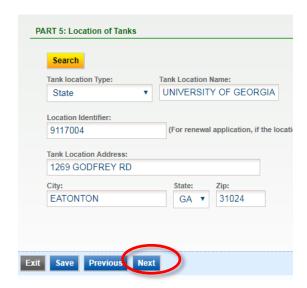


Step 5.5 (Part 5, Continued) -Preparer: Locate your facility and click "Select" then click "Add to Form"





**Step 5.5 (Part 5, Continued) -Preparer:** After clicking "Add to Form" the information shown below will be populated automatically. Click "Next".



#### **Helpful Hints:**

If you need to change the tank location name or tank location address, you will need to send a revised 7530 Form to EPD <a href="https://www1.gadnr.org/dnr/ustform/app">www1.gadnr.org/dnr/ustform/app</a>

**Step 5.5 (Part 6) - Preparer:** Identify the **Financial Responsibility Mechanism** you have chosen pay for an environmental cleanup or third-party liability compensation should a release occur.

#### **Helpful Hints:**

- ✓ "GUST Trust Fund" you pay into the Georgia Underground Storage Tank (GUST) Trust
  Fund (sometimes this is collected by your fuel supplier and shown on your fuel invoices).
- ✓ "Insurance" you have purchased private insurance coverage that includes liability insurance for your UST system(s).
- ✓ "Self-Insurance" you have passed an approved financial test of self-insurance.
- ✓ You can find your current financial responsibility information on your 7530 form located at www1.gadnr.org/dnr/ustform/app
- ✓ If there is no applicable mechanism policy date or ID number, enter "NA"



If your primary method is "GUST", then you will also need to identify how you will pay the \$10,000 deductible should a release occur.



**Step 5.5 (Part 7) -Preparer:** Click "Add New Record", fill out the jobber information then click the green check to save the data.



- ✓ The jobber is who delivers the fuel
- ✓ If the R.O. has more than one jobber, click "Add New Record" and the ✓ green check mark until all jobbers are added.

**Step 5.5 (Part 8)** - **Preparer:** You may review the installed tanks and piping detail by clicking the icon. Once complete; click "Next".



- The Unit ID is a combination of the "Location ID" and Tank (T) or Piping (P) ID.
- ✓ You cannot edit this information. If changes to your tanks or piping is needed you must send in a revised 7530 form: www1.gadnr.org/dnr/ustform/app

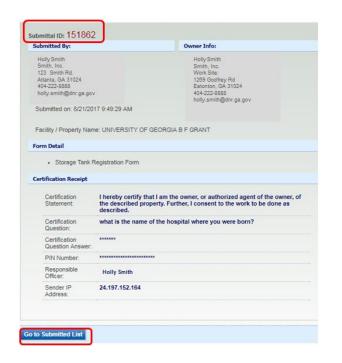
**Step 5.6 (Preparer):** If you filled out the required information you'll see ✓ green checks. If errors have occurred you will see a red x.



**Step 5.7 (Preparer):** Check the box certifying the submission. Answer the Security Question and provide your PIN. Click "Notify Owner ready for review and submittal". The RO will receive an email where they will review and submit the form.



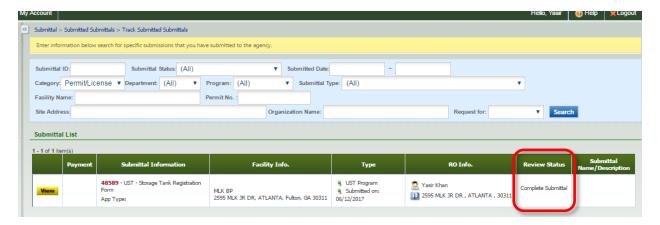
**Step 5.8 (Preparer):** Your confirmation sheet will look similar to the one below. Click "Go to Submitted List".



Helpful Hints:

✓ Print this page for your records

**Step 5.9 (Preparer):** View your registration status under Submittal List. "Complete Submittal" indicates the form has been successfully submitted. "Partial Submittal" indicates the form is not complete.

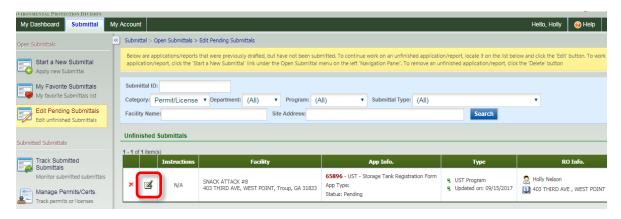


## 6. R.O. Submits the Tank Registration Form and Prints Certificate

**Step 6.1 (Tank Owner):** Log into GEOS using R.O. login information, click on "Submittal tab", and select "Edit Pending Submittals".

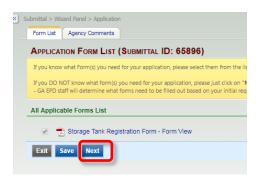


**Step 6.2 (Tank Owner):** Select the dutton to view the form.



Step 6.3 (Tank Owner): Click "Next"

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**Step 6.4 (Tank Owner):** Review the information on each page and click "Next" at the bottom of each page until done.



**Step 6.5 (Tank Owner):** Check the box to certify the submission, answer your security question, enter your PIN, and click "Submit".



**Step 6.6 (Tank Owner or Preparer):** Once the application is approved it will appear on the R.O.'s <u>and</u> the Preparer's "Dashboard" in GEOS under "**Permits/Licenses**". Click the PDF icon to print the Tank Registration Certificate and post it at the UST facility. <u>Congratulations, you have completed Annual Tank Registration!</u>

Section 6 - R.O. Submits the Tank Registration Form and Prints Certificate

