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### **Steel Tank Institute Passes New California Air Emissions Testing**

Lake Zurich, IL – October 23, 2008 – STI/SPFA announced today that its STI/SPFA licensed Fireguard<sup>®</sup> Tank passed the Standing Loss Control portion of the new CARB EVR certification requirement on October 3, 2008.

The Standing Loss Control testing procedure is designed to demonstrate that a tank system reduces the evaporative emissions from an aboveground tank by 90 percent or more as compared to a single-wall tank with no controls. Reducing emissions is important to achieving better ozone air quality.

Throughout California, CARB (California Air Resources Board) authorizes the sale, installation and use of vapor recovery equipment at gasoline dispensing facilities by use of a certification program. New CARB EVR (enhanced vapor recovery) certification requirements will be effective as of January 1, 2009.

STI/SPFA is an association serving companies that fabricate steel tanks, pipe, and pressure vessels for use in the petrochemical, food, water and chemical processing industries and organizations that develop and produce equipment and materials to be used with steel construction products.

In addition to serving fabricators and organizations that provide materials and equipment for steel tanks, pipe and pressure vessels, STI/SPFA provides certification and training courses for steel tank and pipe, performs quality assurance inspections, develops industry standards and specifications, produces safety manuals, and serves as a liaison to regulatory and code authorities.

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