

It was toward the end of 1988...

...Gas was 95 cents a gallon.

...Ronald Reagan was wrapping up his second term as President of the U.S.

...Vinyl record sales were surpassed by CDs for the first time in history.

...ThirtySomething was the hottest drama on TV. (Just think — they're fifty-something now!)

...There were millions of unregulated USTs in the U.S., thousands of them leaking.

...and with new, broad-sweeping EPA regulation just being implemented to address that problem...

Tanknology was born.

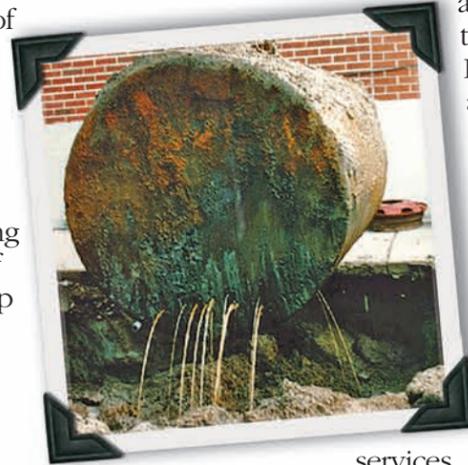
The creation of a business.

It was a business created in response to government regulation. The now infamous EPA 40-CFR-280, established the first federal minimum standards governing underground storage tanks (USTs) and piping.

It was for good reason. There were several million USTs in the U.S. containing petroleum or other chemicals and tens of thousands of them were leaking their hazardous chemicals into the ground, commonly contaminating ground water supplies, the source of drinking water for *half* of the country's population.

The new standards required corrosion protection and spill and overflow prevention for tanks, an ongoing approach to leak detection, and a demonstration of the financial ability to cover the costs of cleaning up a leak and compensating those who might be damaged by it.

The new federal EPA standards were just the beginning. Many states, particularly those on the coasts of the U.S. with more dense population or particularly high groundwater, quickly enacted even more stringent requirements. The business of UST compliance services was created.



VacuTect™ sets the standard.

It was in the earliest days of the market, the year 1988, that Tanknology established itself as a key provider of approved technology and services to help site operators meet these new requirements.

Its primary technology was the VacuTect™ tank tightness testing system, a new and leading edge technology that was among the first to receive independent third-party certification. It was quickly rolled out, with a nationwide fleet, across the entire country.

From the beginning, Tanknology adopted a full-service approach to the market. The company's vision was to provide a complete complement of UST compliance testing services – a package of testing and related services that would help keep an operator in total compliance with *all* the applicable environmental regulations.

In the years that followed, the company invested millions of dollars in the development of new technologies and services, and launched them into its nationwide network...line testing, cathodic protection systems, remote visual internal tank inspection, spill bucket testing, tank deflection testing, ATG installation and service, ethanol preparation services, and many more.



Putting technology to work.

Employing computer technology to streamline business practices and enhance the customer experience, the company was the first to equip its field technicians with laptop computers at the job site and to establish online access of customer testing results. Furthering that customer focus, in 2000 Tanknology implemented a Quality

Management System (QMS) that goes further than any company in the industry to ensure that service personnel have the necessary qualifications, training, resources and oversight needed to do their job accurately – and on time.

Looking back on these 20 years, Tanknology started as a vision – *'Technology for tanks and their environment.'* That vision has been expanded to every corner of the U.S. and around the globe, to more than 25 countries.

The investment in industry-leading technologies continues to this day, resulting in the largest company in the world devoted to helping UST operators achieve total compliance – and confidence – that their site, their investment, and the environment, are protected.



1988 • CELEBRATING 20 YEARS • 2008

For a closer look at images of the last 20 years, please visit a special commemorative

page on our website at: www.tanknology.com/20years.

First phase of EPA 40-CFR-280 regulations in place

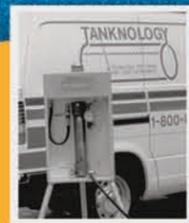
- Tanknology founded
- VacuTect tank testing system introduced to the market in Canada



- VacuTect tank testing system introduced to the US market

EPA Passes Clean Air Act and regulations for Stage II Vapor Recovery systems

- VacuTect receives third-party cert
- Tanknology launches cathodic protection for UST systems
- First tank tests in UK and Australia
- Tanknology rolls out the first nationwide UST testing fleet



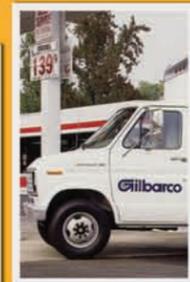
- TLD1 Line Testing System Introduced
- Tank deflection assessment capability introduced
- PetroScope remote visual internal tank inspection system introduced



- SureTest tank testing system launched
- Spill containment bucket testing introduced



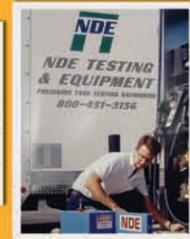
- Field technicians begin using notebook computers in the field



- Tanknology acquires Gilbarco Environmental



- Fuel Pure System introduced
- Tanknology begins compliance management services program



- The Tanknology of today is formed with merger of industry leaders Tanknology & NDE



- ATG Installation service introduced



All regulated USTs must have completed upgrades to spill, overflow, corrosion protection and leak detection by 12/22/98

- Introduced Site Sentry remote monitoring for ATG (Automatic Tank Gauge) Systems



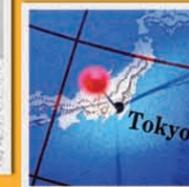
- WRAP (Wireless Remote Access Program) launched, providing customers with electronic access to testing results and records



- Remote corrosion protection monitoring system is launched
- QMS, a total Quality Management System, is implemented across the company



- Secondary containment testing system introduced



- First tank test in Japan



Underground Storage Tank Compliance Act of 2005 becomes law as part of the Energy Act of 2005

- Ethanol preparation services launched



- Tanknology tests its One Millionth Tank



- Nationwide launch of Stage I vapor recovery testing with enhanced PV/Vent Cap testing
- Online training introduced for field tech development
- Tanknology puts its 750th field vehicle into service

EPA releases Stage I Vapor Recovery requirements

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EPA begins drafting updated UST regulations