

XERXES

CORPORATION

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Re: Containment Sump Upgrade

To Whom It May Concern:

It is our understanding that you have questions regarding upgrading Xerxes-manufactured Containment Sumps ("sumps").

A sump is a tank accessory that we have supplied since 1979. The purpose of a sump is served as secondary (temporary) spill containment and to house equipment that is basic to the fueling market, such as piping and pumps. Sumps are not designed to "store" a product long-term, and come with a standard one-year warranty.

It should be noted that since June 2005, all of our sumps have been built using resin compatible with ethanol fuel blends up to 100% (E100), as well as all ASTM biodiesel blends. Prior to this date, sumps manufactured from February 1981 through June 2005 are designed for ethanol fuel up to a 10% blend (E10), as well as all ASTM biodiesel blends. Sumps manufactured prior to February 1981 were not designed for ethanol-blended fuel.

It has been asked if we have an opinion regarding lining older sumps with resin compatible with high levels of alcohol fuels. However, since any sump built before the June 2005 "compatibility date" would be out of warranty, we have no position and the "owner" of these sumps can do with what they think is in their best interest moving forward.

Our Limited Warranty applies to tanks and accessories installed in accordance with the provisions of the current *Installation Manual and Operating Guidelines* and relevant supplemental installation materials. Since we do not control the parameters of any installation or tank operation, our sole responsibility is as stated in our warranty.

If we can be of any further service, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey Lexvold
Sales Support Manager