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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by Standards Australia Committee ME-017, Flammable and Combustible Liquids, to provide requirements and recommendations for the removal and disposal of underground petroleum storage tanks. It is based on the Australian Institute of Petroleum (AIP) CP 22—1994, Code of Practice—The removal and disposal of underground petroleum storage tanks, which has been withdrawn by AIP.

The purpose of this Standard is to set out procedures for dealing with underground storage tanks that have held flammable or combustible liquids and are no longer required for this purpose. Such tanks are commonly found at service stations, but the recommendations are equally applicable to underground tanks used for the same purpose at other locations.

This Standard is not intended to replace statutory regulations which take precedence over the requirements of this Standard. The relevant regulatory authority having jurisdiction may determine the extent of application of this Standard.

Individual companies or tank owners may have additional or special requirements that exceed or vary the requirements of this Standard. In such situations, such companies and owners need to be consulted.

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