FUEL OIL DEALER: SERVICE AGREEMENT #: PHONE NO. TANK TYPE: CONTACT: TANK SIZE: **ISSUED TO:** TERM OF CONTRACT: ADDRESS OF SYSTEM: FROM: TO:

Accidental Release Protection Service
Agreement Addendum

Words and phrases that appear in bold face italic type have special meaning. Refer to DEFINITIONS (Section IV).

SERVICE AGREEMENT RETROACTIVE DATE: ..

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The terms us, we or our used in this accidental release service agreement mean the fuel oil dealer issuing this accidental release service agreement. The terms you or your mean the customer to whom we issue this accidental release service agreement, and any person or organization to whom you assign this accidental release service agreement. If our customer is an individual, you includes all members of his or her household in permanent residence at the time an accidental release is first discovered by you. If our customer is an organization, you or your includes all officers, shareholders, members, partners and employees in their capacity as such, at the time an accidental release is first discovered by any of them.

I. FIRST PARTY ON SITE ACCIDENTAL RELEASE PROTECTION

- A. We will pay to cleanup fuel oil on your property, which has been accidentally released from your fuel oil system as a result of a defect in your fuel oil system on your property. For this protection to apply, you must first discover and report the accidental release to us during the term of this accidental release service agreement.
- B. We will also repair or replace your fuel oil system, if fuel oil has been accidentally released from your fuel oil system. For this protection to apply, you must first discover and report the accidental release to us during the term of this accidental release service agreement.
- C. Our payment obligations under this service agreement are limited solely to the amounts of protection set forth in Section II below.
- D. The term of this accidental release service agreement is the term of contract stated above, or the period from the date this accidental release service agreement is issued until one (1) year thereafter, whichever period is shorter, unless terminated earlier (see section VIII); This accidental release service agreement shall be deemed to be issued by us after you submit an annual fee to us and we accept your enrollment by issuing to you an accidental release service agreement

II. AMOUNT WE WILL PAY

- A. The maximum amount we will pay for cleanup costs resulting from the same accidental release, or continuous or related accidental release(s), is \$100,000 even if the same, continuous prelated accidental release(s) takes place during our subsequent renewal period of this accidental release service agreement regardless of the amount of same, continuous, or related accidental release(s) that may have or have occurred.
 - This protection includes reasonable post-cleanup site restoration activities consisting of grass reseeding.
- B. In addition to the amount described in paragraph A. of this Section, maximum amount we will pay for the repair or replacement of your fuel oil system from the same accidental release, continuous or related accidental release(s) is \$ 1,400 for an Aboveground Basement tank or \$2,000 for an Underground tank. This amount includes labor charges involved to reconnect new tanks and new parts, such as pipes,

nozzles, gauges or lines, as required.

You will be responsible for the deductible amount shown below, which shall apply to each accidental release, or continuous or related accidental release(s) and must be paid prior to cleanup. We shall have no obligation whatsoever to pay this deductible. This deductible amount does not reduce the maximum amount we will pay for this protection as described in Paragraphs A. and B. of this Section above. Deductible Amount: \$2,500 *Voluntary Tank Removal, Abandonment* or Replacement

- C. No other obligation to pay sums or to perform acts or services is covered under this service agreement.
- D. You will be responsible for all costs associated with obtaining access to the fuel oil system including the removal of any and all obstructions, and/or replacing any property moved, removed, or destroyed, in order to remove, cleanup or replace contaminated property.

III. WHAT YOU MUST DO IN THE EVENT OF AN **ACCIDENTAL RELEASE**

- A. In order for protection under this service agreement to apply:
- 1. You must notify us as soon as practical after you become aware of an accidental release. However, in no event can you notify us of the accidental release more than twenty-four (24) hours after you become aware of it. Notice must include:
 - (a) How, when and where the accidental release took place.
- 2. Except for emergency action taken to stop or contain the release, you must notify us prior to and obtain our consent for any expenditure for cleanup costs, repair costs, or replacement costs as a result of any accidental release. You must allow us or our representative to

inspect the fuel oil system at any reasonable time and you may be required to pay a service fee. No service agreement holders will, except at their own cost, voluntarily make any payment, assume any obligation or incur any expense, without our consent.

The term of this accidental release service agreement

shall not be longer than one (1) year.

- You agree to provide us, or our representative, access to the area of fuel oil contamination on your property and to cooperate with us in the testing for or monitoring of, neutralizing of and removal of fuel oil from land on your property.
- You agree to pay us the required service fee and/or deductible upon receipt of the invoice.
- You agree to cooperate with us to the fullest extent possible in the cleanup and tank repair or replacement.
- You agree that all tank removals and/or cleanups shall be performed by contractors qualified by The ProGuard Program.

 You agree to install a new fuel oil system prior to the removal of your
- existing fuel oil system.

VOLUNTARY TANK REMOVAL, ABANDONMENT. IV. **REPLACEMENT**

- A. Voluntary tank removal, abandonment or replacement means the removal of a fuel oil tank associated with a fuel oil system from service with sither the intent of inspecting the fuel oil tank, replacing the fuel oil tank with a new inground or above ground tank, or disengaging the fivel oil system from service provided the removal, replacement or abandonment is made without your knowledge of a defection or accidental release from the fuel oil system. This protection is only available to you after the service agreement has been in effect for a minimum of twelve (12) months.
- You must notify us and ProGuard of your intent to perform a voluntary tank removal abandonment or replacement at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the performance of the voluntary tank removal, abandonment or replacement. All verbal notifications require follow-up in writing prior to the voluntary tank removal, abandonment or replacement of the fuel oil system. You agree to pay, prior to commencing your voluntary tank removal, abandonment or replacement our service fee of \$500
 - for costs associated with monitoring the voluntary tank removal, abandonment or replacement. Should a release be confirmed, this \$500 service fee will be applied to the deductible amount. Failure to pay our service fee prior to the voluntary tank removal, abandonment or replacement will void protection under this accidental release service agreement.
- You agree to install a new fuel oil system prior to the removal of your existing fuel oil system.
- You agree that all voluntary tank removals and/or cleanups shall be performed by contractors qualified by The ProGuard Program.
- In the event that protection under this accidental release service agreement arises from a voluntary tank removal, abandonment or replacement, you will promptly pay the voluntary tank removal, abandonment or replacement deductible amount to our designee or
- G. This service agreement does not cover any cleanup and/or cleanup costs arising from an accidental release which was discovered at the time of the voluntary tank removal, abandonment or replacement of your fuel oil system. This exclusion shall only apply within the first twelve (12) months of protection or if you fail to pay the ProGuard service fee prior to your voluntary tank removal, abandonment or replacement.
- H. This service agreement does not cover any costs to exhume or excavate or dispose of a fuel oil system from service as a result of a voluntary tank removal which was done with the intent of inspecting the fuel oil tank, replacing the fuel oil tank with a new inground or aboveground tank or disengaging the fuel oil system from service.

V. **DEFINITIONS**

Words in bold face italic type in this accidental release service agreement have the following meaning:

- Accidental release means a release of the fuel oil from your fuel oil system which is neither expected nor intended from the standpoint of a reasonable person, and exceeds permissible levels under applicable law or agency directive;
- Cleanup means to remove, treat, or monitor contaminated soils which exceed permissible levels under applicable law or agency directive, including disposal of the defective fuel oil system where necessary

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