

## **Excel Works with Communities in Mercer, Hudson, and Salem Counties to Obtain Funding and Conduct the Closure of Leaking Residential Underground Storage Tanks**

Excel has been working with several municipalities in Mercer, Hudson, and Salem Counties to assist homeowners within the community with obtaining grants and low-interest loans through the NJDEP UST Grant and Loan Program for the closure of leaking residential heating oil underground storage tanks (USTs) and remediation of any oil-impacted soil and/or groundwater associated with the release. Excel is working closely with the municipalities to identify potential leaking residential USTs and, once identified, we work directly with the individual homeowners to evaluate the integrity of the tanks, obtain grants or low-interest loans, conduct the tank removals, verify soil and/or groundwater quality, and implement any necessary soil and/or groundwater remediation. Excel facilitates the process for the homeowner by coordinating amongst all parties, including the local and State agencies, the contractors, and the homeowner to obtain a final NJDEP No Further Action approval and case closure as expeditiously as possible.