**CONFINED SPACE AND PERMIT‐REQUIRED CONFINED SPACE RECOGNITION FORM**

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| **Part I** | | **Yes/No** |
| 1. | Is the space large enough for an employee to enter and perform work? |  |
| 2. | Does the space have limited or restricted means for entry and exit? |  |
| 3. | Is the space designed for continuous occupancy? |  |

If the answers to items one and two are “yes” and item three is “no”, then you have a confined space. If these criteria have not been met, then you do not have a confined space and no further action is needed. If you do have a confined space, work through Part II (below) to work out if it is a permit‐ required space.

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| **Part II** | | **Yes/No** |
| 1. | Does the space have, or could it have, a hazardous atmosphere? |  |
| 2. | Does the space contain any chemicals or chemical residues? |  |
| 3. | Does the space contain any flammable/combustible substances? |  |
| 4. | Does the space contain, or could it contain, any decomposing organic matter? |  |
| 5. | Does the space have any pipes that bring chemicals into it? |  |
| 6. | Does the space have any materials that could trap, or potentially trap, engulf, or drown an entrant? |  |
| 7. | Is vision obscured by dust at five feet or less? |  |
| 8. | Does the space have any mechanical equipment? |  |
| 9. | Does the space have converging walls, sloped floors, or a floor that tapers to smaller cross‐sections that could trap or suffocate an entrant? |  |
| 10. | Is the tank or vessel rusty inside? |  |
| 11. | Is the space either extremely hot or extremely cold? |  |
| 12. | Is the space so noisy that communicating with an attendant would be difficult? |  |
| 13. | Does the space have any slip, trip, or fall hazards? |  |
| 14. | Is there any work done near the space opening that could present a hazard to entrants? |  |
| 15. | Are there any hazards from falling objects? |  |

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| **Part II ...Continued.** | | **Yes/No** |
| 16. | Are there high pressure lines servicing the space? |  |
| 17. | Are cleaning solvents or paints going to be used in the space? |  |
| 18. | Is welding, cutting, brazing, riveting, scraping, or sanding going to be done in the space? |  |
| 19. | Is electrical equipment located in, or will it be used in, the space? |  |
| 20. | Does the space have poor natural ventilation so that an atmospheric hazard could develop? |  |
| 21. | Are there any corrosives in the space that could irritate the eyes? |  |
| 22. | Are there conditions that could prevent any entrant’s self‐rescue from the space? |  |
| 23. | Are there substances used in the space that have immediate health effects? |  |
| 24. | Is mechanical ventilation needed to keep the space safe? |  |
| 25. | Due to the potential for a hazardous atmosphere, is air monitoring necessary to make sure the space is safe for entry? |  |
| 26. | Will entry be made into a diked area where the dike is five feet or more high? |  |
| 27. | Are residues going to be scraped off the inside of the space? |  |
| 28. | Are non‐sparking tools needed to remove residues? |  |
| 29. | Does the space restrict movement to the extent that it could trap an entrant? |  |
| 30. | Is respiratory protection needed because of a hazardous atmosphere? |  |
| 31. | Does the space contain a hazard other than those noted above that would make it a permit space? |  |

If any of the questions in part two have been answered “yes”, the confined space requires a permit. Entry into these types of spaces must be done using a full Permit‐Required Confined Space Program. In some situations alternative procedures, or reclassifying the space to a non‐permit space, may be possible.