



Regulatory Advisory

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Regulation for the Mandatory Reporting of Greenhouse Gas Emissions Advisory SSD 14-03

MANDATORY GHG EMISSIONS REPORTING DEADLINE EXTENSION FOR REFINERIES SUBJECT TO THE APRIL 10, 2014 DEADLINE

The purpose of this advisory is to announce that the California Air Resources Board (ARB) is granting an extension to May 16, 2014, for refineries subject to new and updated product data reporting requirements under the Regulation for the Mandatory Reporting of Greenhouse Gas Emissions, title 17, California Code of Regulations, section 95100 et seq. (MRR). This extension pertains to the reporting of 2013 data submitted to ARB in 2014, and is being made to provide sufficient additional time for these reporters to complete product data reporting, consistent with the MRR and informed by recent guidance revisions.

Background

ARB first approved MRR in 2007. In 2013, ARB initiated a rulemaking to amend the MRR. The amendments became effective on January 1, 2014. These amendments included new and updated product data reporting requirements for refineries (section 95113(l)) to support the allocation of allowances under the Cap-and-Trade Program. In an earlier Regulatory Advisory, SSD 14-01, ARB extended the reporting deadline for certain entities covered by these requirements to May 9, 2014.

Current Action

This Regulatory Advisory further extends the reporting deadline from April 10, 2014 through to May 16, 2014, for refineries from which new and updated product data reporting is required as part of 2013 data reported in 2014. Specifically, entities reporting under the NAICS code 324110 are subject to the reporting extension as laid out in this Regulatory Advisory. Entities that have already completed reporting for 2013 may contact ARB staff prior to May 16, 2014, with questions or for compliance assistance with already submitted reports, as appropriate.

Where can I find more information and documentation concerning this Regulatory Advisory?

The Regulation, relevant fact sheets, and guidance are available here:
<http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/reporting/ghg-rep/ghg-rep.htm>.

Where can I find guidance for reporting my product data?

Guidance on reporting product data, as well as emissions data, can be found on the Mandatory GHG Reporting Guidance Documents webpage, available here:

<http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/reporting/ghg-rep/guidance/guidance-docs.htm>

Does the extension of the reporting deadline mean that the verification deadline is also extended?

No. Section 95103(f) of MRR specifies the verification deadline for all reporters as September 1 of each year. Since September 1, 2014, is a holiday, the reporting deadline for 2014 is September 2, 2014. This verification deadline remains unchanged.