

Subject: Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS) Biodiesel and Renewable Diesel Pathways Release for Review by Applicants

Today staff is releasing a first batch of carbon intensity (CI) of biodiesel and renewable diesel (BD/RD) pathways certified under the readopted LCFS regulation using the CA-GREET 2.0 model. These pathways include both new applications and requests to have “legacy” pathways (adopted under the prior LCFS rule) recertified. A second batch of BD/RD pathways which will include all the remaining pathways eligible for certification will be released mid-June 2016.

Applicants of BD/RD pathways released today have seven business days (11:59pm on June 14, 2016) to review and accept the CI. Only pathways accepted by applicants will be certified. All BD/RD certified CIs will be published online only after the second batch has been released and accepted by applicants. Once certified, these pathways may be used for credit reporting purposes beginning with reports for the second quarter of 2016.

Note that the CA-GREET 1.8b pathways CIs are eligible to earn credits only through December 31, 2016 and will sunset after that date.

Background on the LCFS

The Low Carbon Fuel Standard is a regulation to reduce the carbon intensity of fuels sold in California ten percent by 2020. The LCFS is one of the measures adopted by the California Air Resources Board, pursuant to Health and Safety Code Sections 38500-38599 (AB 32) to reduce greenhouse gases in California. It is designed to help clean the air, protect the environment, and drive the development of clean, low-carbon fuels to improve California's energy security and energy independence.

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