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REQUEST FOR EARLY EFFECTIVE DATE

Pursuant to Government Code section 11346.2(d), the Air Resources Board (ARB) requests that the amendments to sections 1956.8(b), 1956.8(d), 1960.1(k) and 2292.6 of Title 13, California Code of Regulations, become effective upon filing with the Secretary of State. Good cause for this request exists.

Title 13, California Code of Regulations, section 2292.6 identifies the required properties of commercial liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) intended for use in motor vehicles. This regulation has required that motor vehicle LPG must have a propylene (propene) content not exceeding 10.0 volume percent from January 1, 1992 through December 31, 1994, and must have a propene content not exceeding 5.0 volume percent starting January 1, 1995. One of the amendments in this rulemaking postpones the 5.0 volume percent propene content requirement for two years, until January 1, 1997. The Air Resources Board (ARB) adopted this amendment because implementation of the 5.0 volume percent propene content standard on January 1, 1995 could result in supply shortages and market segregation which could adversely impact the development of the market for commercial motor vehicle LPG fuel.

An early effective date of these amendments is necessary to assure that the 5.0 volume percent propene standard implementation date is effectively postponed prior to January 1, 1995.

Producers and marketers of motor vehicle LPG, and other parties affected by the amendments adopted in this rulemaking, have been on notice of the forthcoming amendments since the ARB took action at its September 22, 1994 hearing. The ARB intends to notify affected parties promptly of the date on which the amendments become effective. None of the parties affected by the amendments to the motor vehicle LPG specifications, or the other amendments, will be disadvantaged by the requested early effective date.

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