CALIFORNIA REFUELING EMISSION STANDARDS AND TEST PROCEDURES FOR 1998-2000 AND SUBSEQUENT MODEL MOTOR VEHICLES

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The following provisions of Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 86, Subparts A and B, as adopted or amended by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) on the date listed, and only to the extent they pertain to the testing and compliance of vehicle refueling emissions for light-duty vehicles and light-duty trucks, are adopted and incorporated herein by this reference as the California Refueling Emission Standards and Test Procedures for 1998-2000 and Subsequent Model Motor Vehicles, except as altered or replaced by the provisions set forth below. With respect to subpart A, where a section has been referenced and is not listed in these test procedures, the reference should be considered to refer to that section's most recent counterpart listed herein.

These refueling test procedures allow the manufacturer to certify using the Federal refueling standards and certification test procedures.

These standards and test procedures are applicable to all new 1998-2000 and subsequent model gasoline, alcohol, diesel, and hybrid electric passenger cars, light-duty trucks, and medium-duty vehicles with a gross vehicle weight less than 8501 pounds. References to "light-duty trucks" in 40 CFR 86 shall apply both to "light-duty trucks" and "medium-duty vehicles" in these procedures. References to "light-duty vehicles" in 40 CFR 86 shall apply to passenger cars.

In those instances that the testing conditions or parameters are not practical or feasible for such vehicles, the manufacturer shall provide a test plan that provides equal or greater confidence in comparison to these test procedures. The test plan must be approved in advance by the Executive Officer.

Any reference to vehicle sales throughout the United States shall mean vehicle sales in California, except when certifying to the refueling standards, in which case, vehicle sales shall mean throughout the United States.

Regulations concerning U.S. EPA hearings, U.S. EPA inspections, specific language on the Certificate of Conformity, evaporative emissions high-altitude vehicles and testing, alternative useful life, selective enforcement audit and heavy-duty engines and vehicles shall not be applicable to these procedures, except where specifically noted.

Part 86 - [No change.]