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This advisory pertains to gasoline dispensing facilities (GDFs) with underground storage tanks subject to Phase II vapor recovery requirements. These GDFs will need to upgrade to Enhanced Vapor Recovery (EVR) Phase II vapor recovery by **April 1, 2009**.

NOW IS THE TIME TO PLAN FOR EVR PHASE II UPGRADES

Approximately 13,000 GDFs will need to obtain permits, purchase EVR Phase II equipment and arrange for installation by a certified contractor in the next two years. One EVR Phase II system is currently certified (Franklin Fueling/Healy). Franklin Fueling is prepared to meet the equipment demand; however, there is a potential shortage of certified contractors if GDF operators wait too long to install EVR systems.

Other EVR Phase II systems are under test and could be available by the end of 2007; but there is no guarantee that any system currently in the certification process will successfully complete all performance testing and legal requirements to obtain EVR certification.

CONTRACTOR TRAINING/CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Contractors who install EVR systems must receive required manufacturer training and/or certification. In addition, contractors may be required to obtain air district training or ICC certification as an approved vapor recovery installer. Contractors should verify training/certification requirements with air district staff before beginning installation of EVR systems.

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICTS/AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

Air pollution control districts have primary authority for regulating GDFs under vapor recovery rules. **GDF operators should contact the local air district for specific information on local vapor recovery requirements before modifying the facility.** Contact information for local air pollution control districts is available on the air district permit to operate and/or the California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA) website at <http://www.capcoa.org>.

FOR MORE INFORMATION...

Detailed information on the Vapor Recovery program can be found at the Air Resources Board vapor recovery web site at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/vapor/vapor.htm> or by contacting the ARB Engineering and Certification Branch at (916) 327-0900.

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: <http://www.arb.ca.gov>.