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Compliance Advisory To Gasoline Dispensing Facilities That Failed to Upgrade Their Phase I Systems by the April 1, 2005 Deadline

Our records indicate that your station has not yet met the California Phase I standards for Enhanced Vapor Recovery (EVR.) On April 1, 2005, your existing, non-EVR system was decertified for use.

To continue to receive fuel deliveries and dispense gasoline, you should contact the AQMD at (909) 396-3400 for information about joining a group process for a Stipulated Order for Abatement. Please be prepared to provide the information requested in the attached "List of Information Needed to Request an EVR Order for Abatement" during this call.

If a Stipulated Order for Abatement is granted by the Hearing Board, you may continue receiving and dispensing gasoline until you can complete the required upgrades. However, you will pay penalties for operating without a certified system until the upgrades are complete.

Operating under a Stipulated Order for Abatement will require that you adhere to strict deadlines for obtaining a permit, contracting for upgrades, receiving and installing the upgraded equipment, testing beyond that normally required and reaching final compliance.

Prior to the Hearing Board action, you will receive an AQMD Notice of Violation, but your gasoline storage tanks will not be tagged out of service while you are seeking and/or are in compliance with the Abatement Order. We encourage you contact us as soon as possible to avoid your tanks being tagged out of service.

Please note that if you plan to dispense only the remaining gasoline in your tanks until you run out, complete the attached "Declaration of Temporary Non-Operation of Phase I System after April 1, 2005" and send it to *Mr. George Kasper, SCAQMD Engineering and Compliance, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765 or fax it to (909) 396-2608*. Your AQMD inspector will tag your tanks out of service for fuel deliveries. You will incur no AQMD imposed penalties. Once you have legally installed the upgraded EVR phase I equipment, you can resume normal operations upon written notice to *Mr. George Kasper* at the SCAQMD address or fax number above.

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Additional information regarding this California EVR Phase I deadline is available from the California Air Resources Board website (www.arb.ca.gov/vapor/vapor.htm) and in AQMD Advisories # 11-03 and #15-05. For questions about this Advisory please call George Kasper at (909) 396-2378 or via email at gkasper@aqmd.gov.

Attachments:

- 1. List of Information Needed to Request an EVR Order for Abatement
- 2. Declaration of Temporary Non-Operation of Phase I System after April 1, 2005

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