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Good morning,

I was hoping you could help me with some questions regarding HFC measures that will begin in 2022. My understanding is that for major remodels or new stores, we must use refrigerants with GWPs of less than 150 beginning on January 1, 2022. My question is in regards to this date, does this mean the manufacturing or the equipment, or installation of the equipment?

I have a customer who is currently adopting CO2 systems in some of their stores and is very actively trying to switch his other stores over to CO2. This customer is also very active and works with us closely to make sure that his stores are leak-tight and are running properly, making all attempts to mitigate leaks. While they are attempting to switch over all possible stores to CO2, the conversion is a lengthier and more intensive one. Our current concern is one store in particular which they cannot afford to shut down for a CO2 conversion, but is in need of a remodel, with cases and evaporators already ordered for a R448 system. If we were to move forward with an R448 system, would it have to have plans through plan check by January 1, or be manufactured by January 1, or be installed by January 1?

If a call would be easier than email please feel free to call at any time!

Thank you so much!

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