

REQUEST FOR EARLY EFFECTIVE DATE

**Amendments to the California Cleaner-Burning Gasoline Regulations  
(Increasing the Oxygen Content Cap)**

Pursuant to Government Code section 11343.4(d), the Air Resources Board (ARB) requests that the amendments to sections 2262.5(b) and 2265(a)(2) of title 13, California Code of Regulations (CCR), and the “California Procedures for Evaluating Alternative Specifications for Phase 2 Reformulated Gasoline Using the California Predictive Model,” incorporated by reference in section 2265(a)(2), become effective upon filing with the Secretary of State, whichever occurs later. Good cause for this request exists.

The amendments allow refiners to increase the oxygen content of California Phase 2 reformulated gasoline (CaRFG) from a maximum of 2.7 percent by weight (wt.%) up to a maximum of 3.5 wt.% as long as the gasoline meets the criteria of the California Predictive Model. This will give refiners more flexibility in meeting the CaRFG requirements. In order for this increased flexibility to be maximized, it is appropriate for the amendments to become effective as quickly as possible.

The ARB plans to promptly notify all refiners and carriers of the effective date as soon as the amendments are filed with the Secretary of State.

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