

REQUEST FOR EARLY EFFECTIVE DATE

Pursuant to Government Code section 11343.4(c), the Air Resources Board (ARB) requests that the amendment of section 94011, title 17, California Code of Regulations (CCR), become effective upon filing with the Secretary of State. Good cause for this request exists.

The regulatory amendments provide an extension to an April 1, 2005 deadline for compatibility of vapor recovery systems at gasoline dispensing facilities (GDFs) with the Onboard Refueling Vapor Recovery (ORVR) systems on vehicles. Without an early effective date, these amendments would not take effect until after April 1, 2005, defeating the purpose of the amendments.

Approximately 3500 GDFs do not comply with the ORVR compatibility standard at this time, but are taking steps now to procure permits and arrange for installation contracts in accordance with the new schedule provided by the regulatory amendments. An early effective date would ensure that these station owners are not subject to any enforcement action of a deadline that is being amended.

Date: _____

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