

Date: March 30, 2020
To: All Interested Parties
Subject: PUBLIC WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO GAS STATION VAPOR RECOVERY EQUIPMENT REGULATIONS

California Air Resources Board (CARB) staff invites you to participate in a public workshop to discuss proposed regulatory amendments to CARB's certification and test procedures for vapor recovery systems at gasoline dispensing facilities (gas stations).

The workshop will be held on Tuesday, May 5, 2020 via remote access. A toll-free teleconference line (listen only) and webinar will be available; please see table below for more details. During the workshop, attendees can submit written questions via email to vapor@arb.ca.gov.

Remote Access Public Workshop	
Date:	Tuesday, May 5, 2020
Time:	10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Location:	Remote Access Only
Phone*:	Toll Free: 844-767-5679; Access Code: 9633952
Webinar^:	https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6448009380304410892

*If you have difficulties in accessing the conference call or webinar on the day of the workshop, please call (916) 324-6300.

^After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

State law requires CARB to adopt procedures to certify and test vapor recovery systems or components for use at gas stations. The goal of the workshop is to provide information and solicit input from stakeholders on a suite of proposed regulatory amendments to CARB certification and test procedures that include:

- (1) Revising the in-station diagnostics (ISD) system overpressure alarm criteria, improving and clarifying ISD report content, and providing more options for ISD communication ports, such as USB or Bluetooth, in addition to the currently required RS232 port;
- (2) Making the nozzle spillage standard more stringent to preserve superior performance achieved by currently certified equipment, and avoid backsliding;

- (3) Revising Phase I drop tube compliance test procedures to allow for remote fill configurations for gas stations equipped with underground storage tanks;
- (4) Requiring vapor recovery equipment manufacturers to provide physical samples of the system or components that successfully comply with applicable performance standards or specifications; and
- (5) Various administrative changes to clarify and improve the certification and test procedures for better regulatory certainty and enforceability.

The workshop will include a CARB staff presentation describing CARB staff's proposed regulatory amendments and alternatives, followed by a question and answer period. Due to the remote access format, attendees can submit written questions via email to vapor@arb.ca.gov. CARB staff will post electronic copies of the draft regulatory text, draft technical support documents, and the workshop presentation in advance of the workshop, on CARB's vapor recovery website at <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/vapor-recovery>.

Subscribe for Email Updates

To receive notifications and updates, please join the subscriber email list at the below website. The email list will be used to notify stakeholders of any updates to the regulatory proposal and additional opportunities for public input throughout the rulemaking process.

Vapor Recovery Program

https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/CARB/subscriber/new?topic_id=vapor.

Special Accommodation Request

Consistent with California Government Code Section 7296.2, special accommodation or language assistance may be provided via the following:

- An interpreter to be available at the meeting.
- Documents made available in an alternate format or another language.
- A disability-related reasonable accommodation.

To request these special accommodations or language assistance, please contact Abigail Trowbridge at (916) 327-4725 or via email at abigail.trowbridge@arb.ca.gov as soon as possible, but no later than ten business days before the scheduled workshop. TTY/TDD/Speech to Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.

Consecuente con la sección 7296.2 del Código de Gobierno de California, una acomodación especial o ayuda en otro idioma pueden ser suministradas por los siguientes:

- Un intérprete que esté disponible en la audiencia.

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- Documentos disponibles en un formato alterno u otro idioma.
- Una acomodación razonable relacionado con una incapacidad.

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Contacts

We welcome and encourage your participation in this workshop. If you have questions regarding the regulatory amendment proposal, please contact Michelle Wood at (916) 445-3641 or via email at michelle.wood@arb.ca.gov, Donielle Jackson at (916) 445-9308 or via email at donielle.jackson@arb.ca.gov, or Lou Dinkler at (916) 324-9487 or via email at louis.dinkler@arb.ca.gov. If you have problems accessing the conference call or webinar on the day of the workshop, please call (916) 324-6300.

Sincerely,



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