

**State of California
AIR RESOURCES BOARD**

EXECUTIVE ORDER G-19-222

Relating to Certification of Small Containers of Automotive Refrigerant

For National Refrigerants, Inc.

**Brand: National
Model: 012R134aCAL**

WHEREAS, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) has established, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code sections 38501, 38510, 38560, 38560.5, 38580, 39600 and 39601, criteria for obtaining certification of small containers of automotive refrigerant in “Certification Procedures for Small Containers of Automotive Refrigerant,” last amended April 13, 2017, incorporated by reference into Title 17, California Code of Regulations sections 95362(b), 95365(c), 95366(e), and 95368(d);

WHEREAS, the “Certification Procedures for Small Containers of Automotive Refrigerant,” last amended April 13, 2017 (hereinafter “Certification Procedures”), incorporated by reference into Title 17, California Code of Regulations sections 95362(b), 95365(c), 95366(e), and 95368(d) requires that an application for certification include test data from each test specified in CARB Test Procedure TP-503: “Test Procedure for Leaks from Small Containers of Automotive Refrigerant.”

WHEREAS, Section 1 of the Certification Procedures provides that an Executive Order will only be issued for a small container of automotive refrigerant that demonstrates compliance with all applicable certification requirements;

WHEREAS, Section 3 of the Certification Procedures requires an applicant to submit specified information in its application for certification;

WHEREAS, National Refrigerants, Inc. has submitted an application for certification of the following small container of automotive refrigerant: 012R134aCAL (National)

WHEREAS, National Refrigerants, Inc. has submitted data generated from each test specified in CARB Test Procedure TP-503: “Test Procedure for Leaks from Small Containers of Automotive Refrigerant,” that demonstrates its 012R134aCAL (National) small containers of automotive refrigerant comply with each requirement specified in Section 2.1 of the Certification Procedures;

WHEREAS, National Refrigerants, Inc. has submitted the bill of materials and engineering drawings of 012R134aCAL (National) small containers of automotive refrigerant that specify the dimensions specific to those small containers of automotive refrigerant;

WHEREAS, National Refrigerants, Inc. has submitted a sample of 012R134aCAL (National) small containers of automotive refrigerant;

WHEREAS, National Refrigerants, Inc. has submitted all of the information specified by Sections 2.2 through 2.4 of the Certification Procedures in its application for certification of its 012R134aCAL (National) small containers of automotive refrigerant;

WHEREAS, National Refrigerants, Inc.'s has submitted a signed proposal in response to CARB's inquiry involving the effectiveness of recycling program, which contains the following actions:

1. National Refrigerants, Inc. will establish regular email and print out communications with their distributors and retailers to increase the return rate from their customers.
2. National Refrigerants, Inc. will set up matrices and reporting systems that would notify distributors and retailers of their return rates.
3. National Refrigerants, Inc. will set up programs that encourage higher return rates such as setting return rate goals and present promotional items if the goals are met.
4. National Refrigerants, Inc. will set up in person table top "counter days" where sales representatives will be on site interacting with end users and encouraging the return of cans.

WHEREAS, National Refrigerants, Inc.'s application for certification of its 012R134aCAL (National) small containers of automotive refrigerant has been evaluated and found to comply with the criteria for the issuance of an executive order;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in the CARB by sections 38501, 38510, 38560, 38560.5, 38580, 39600 and 39601 of the Health and Safety Code, and pursuant to the authority vested in the undersigned by sections 39515 and 39516 of the Health and Safety Code;

IT IS ORDERED AND RESOLVED that 012R134aCAL (National) small containers of automotive refrigerant produced by National Refrigerants, Inc. as described in National Refrigerants, Inc.'s application for certification, is hereby certified to meet the performance standards and administrative requirements applicable to small containers of automotive refrigerant.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this certification is subject to the following conditions:

1. Production containers must be in all material respect the same as those for which certification is granted and shall meet all the certification requirements;
2. National Refrigerants, Inc. must comply with the recycling reporting requirements specified in title 17, California Code of Regulations sections 95367, and demonstrate the effectiveness of recycling actions proposed by National Refrigerants, Inc. and assess if additional actions are needed to improve the recycling program;
3. National Refrigerants, Inc. must comply with the recordkeeping requirements specified in title 17, California Code of Regulations sections 95369;
4. Any modification to the design or specifications of a small container of automotive refrigerant certified hereby is prohibited and is inconsistent with this certification, unless said modification has been previously approved by the Executive Officer or his or her designee;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Executive Officer may enjoin sales, assess penalties, or revoke or modify this certification as provided in Title 17, California Code of Regulations sections 95368 if the Executive Officer determines that 012R134aCAL (National) small containers of automotive refrigerant available for sale in California does not meet the certification requirements including the testing in accordance with Test Procedure TP-503, Test Procedure for Leaks from Small Containers of Automotive Refrigerant, last amended April 13, 2017.

Executed at Sacramento, California this 27 day of April, 2020.



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