

October 31, 2024

Public Webinar - Updates to the Refrigerant Management Program's Registration and Reporting Tool

Save the Date

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) staff invites you to participate in a public webinar to discuss major updates to the Refrigerant Management Program's (RMP) Refrigerant Registration and Reporting System, or R3. RMP aims to reduce greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) from leaks in stationary refrigeration systems through best management practices and regular servicing. R3 is the primary tool for regulated entities to register, report, upload servicing records, and make annual fee payments.

Please note that the R3 platform is being modernized, and the new system is scheduled to launch on Monday, December 9, 2024. The R3 tool is scheduled to be turned off on November 15, 2024 at 05:00 p.m. PST, as we prepare to launch the new system.

This webinar will discuss recent changes to R3 that will affect regulated entities via [Zoom](#) at the following date and time:

Date: December 12, 2024
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. PST

This webinar consists of three sessions:

- General users: 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
- Distributors/Wholesalers and Reclaimers: 11:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- XML and XSD: 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (A sample XML is available upon request)

Please [register](#) before 10:00 a.m. December 12, 2024. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with information about joining the webinar.

Background

In 2006, Assembly Bill 32 (AB 32) directed CARB to develop early action measures to reduce GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020. As one of these early action measures, in December 2009, CARB approved the Regulation for the Management of High Global Warming Potential (GWP) Refrigerants for Stationary Sources, known as RMP. These refrigerants are

potent GHGs, primarily consisting of hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), which trap more atmospheric heat than carbon dioxide on a pound-for-pound basis.

To meet the objectives and RMP requirements, all California facilities using refrigeration systems, refrigerant distributors, wholesalers, and certified reclaimers subject to the Regulation must register with CARB and submit annual reports. Both registration and reporting ensure that requirements are communicated to the regulated community, records are collected and maintained, and fees are collected. Registrants must report refrigerant leaks and corrective actions to CARB within a fixed time limit and file annual summary reports. Since 2012, these companies have reported to CARB using R3 to meet the RMP requirements.

In 2016, Senate Bill 1383 (SB 1383) directed CARB to develop rules to reduce short-lived climate pollutants, requiring a 40 percent reduction in HFCs below 2013 levels by 2030. In 2020, CARB adopted the regulation: Prohibitions on Use of Certain Hydrofluorocarbons in Stationary Refrigeration, Stationary Air-conditioning, and Other End-Uses. Retail food facilities in California are required to submit annual reports detailing their company's reductions of greenhouse gas potential (GHGp) and weighted-average GWP via the CARB R3 system. These new regulatory provisions provide a path for retail food facilities to reduce HFC emissions, transition to lower GWP refrigerants, and meet California's climate goals.

For more details on the regulation's requirements, please visit the [RMP program webpage](#) or [HFC program webpage](#). For videos and presentations on RMP or R3 updates throughout the years, visit our [Webinar page](#).

If you need more information or have additional questions, you can reach us via email at rmp@arb.ca.gov or call (916) 324-2517.