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F-gas Reduction Incentive Program (FRIP): Commercial and Industrial Refrigeration Funding Guidelines Addendum 04

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The purpose of this addendum is to make the following revisions, based on public feedback, to the California Air Resources Board's (CARB) F-gas Reduction Incentive Program (FRIP): Commercial and Industrial Refrigeration Funding Guidelines, originally posted on September 5, 2024.¹ Previous addenda to the FRIP Funding Guidelines include Addendum 01, Addendum 02, and Addendum 03.² Existing projects may be affected by changes in Addendum 04.

Addendum 04 covers the following significant changes:

- Extended length of Application Window 2 to December 15, 2025.
- Removed the minimum 500 lb. refrigerant charge requirement for the sum of all existing systems for Industrial Process Refrigeration, Cold Storage and Other Refrigeration. At least one refrigeration system must still contain more than 50 pounds of high-GWP refrigerant to qualify.
- Increased maximum incentive award per company to \$3 million (or \$3.3 million if at least five facilities are located in priority communities) for Retail Food Refrigeration companies that own or operate 20 or more retail food facilities in California or national supermarket chains operating in California.
- Increased maximum incentive award per company to \$2.25 million for Retail Food Refrigeration companies that own or operate fewer than 20 retail food facilities in California. Additionally, the limit of two facilities per company for this sector has been removed.
- Added deadline for all corrections and final applications to be submitted by January 31, 2026.
- Added language regarding CARB and NASRC's right to terminate applications after 60 days of application inactivity and/or unresponsiveness to communication from NASRC.

¹ [FRIP Funding Guidelines CI Refrigeration](#)

² Addendum 01 was posted on January 13, 2025; Addendum 02 was posted on February 20, 2025; and Addendum 03 was posted on June 23, 2025.

Note: Added language relative to the original Funding Guidelines appears in bold underline, and deleted language appears in strikethrough and within square brackets.

The changes summarized above appear on the following pages of the amended Funding Guidelines:

1) Page 5, Table 2: Application Window Dates

Application Window	Opening Date	Closing Date
Window 1	October 14, 2024	January 31, 2025
Window 2	March 3, 2025	[August 29, 2025] <u>December 15, 2025</u>

2) Page 8, Table 4: Existing System Eligibility Requirements by Refrigeration Sector

Refrigeration Sector	Minimum GWP for All Existing Systems to be Replaced	Minimum Refrigerant Charge for Sum of Existing Systems to be Replaced
Retail Food Refrigeration	>1,300 GWP ³	N/A
Industrial Process Refrigeration	>1,300 GWP ^{[4]3}	[500 lb.⁵] <u>N/A</u>
Cold Storage and Other Refrigeration	>1,300 GWP ^{[4]3}	[500 lb.⁵] <u>N/A</u>

3) Page 12, Table 6: Retail Food Refrigeration Company Incentive Maximums

Company Size	\$ [or Facility] per Parent Company Maximum	\$ per Facility Maximum
Companies that own or operate 20 or more retail food facilities in California or national supermarket chains operating in California	[\$2 million (or \$2.2 million if at least four facilities are located in priority communities)] <u>\$3 million (or \$3.3 million if at least five facilities are located in priority communities)</u>	\$400,000 (or \$500,000 for facilities located in priority communities)
Companies that own or operate less than 20 retail food facilities in California	[Two facility] <u>\$2.25 million</u>	\$750,000

³ Common refrigerants with a GWP >1,300 per the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) 4th Assessment Report (AR4) include R-22, R-407A, R-404A, R-507A, R-448A, ~~[and] R-449A,~~ **and the entire R-407 series.**

⁴ ~~Common refrigerants with a GWP >1,300 per IPCC's AR 4 include R-22, R-407A, R-404A, R-507A, R-448A, R-449A, and the entire R-407 series.]~~

⁵ ~~The majority of the charge size of the existing systems to be replaced must be from systems with >50 lb. of refrigerant.]~~

- 4) Page 25-26: If an application requires corrections or clarifications, NASRC will email the applicant with the correction or clarification request(s) within five business days of application receipt.⁶ The applicant must then update their application on the FRIP web portal within three business days of receiving a correct or clarification request. The application will then be reinstated into the project pipeline with its original timestamp. After those three business days, the additional amount of time taken for the applicant to submit corrections and clarifications will be added to the original timestamp to determine the order of funding within a refrigeration sector. Retail food refrigeration facilities under companies that own or operate less than 20 retail food facilities in California will have an additional two business days (five business days total) to correct or clarify their submissions before time is added to their original timestamp. **All corrections must be addressed and all applications must be submitted in their final form no later than January 31, 2026. After this date, no further corrections, clarifications, or re-submissions will be accepted. CARB and NASRC reserve the right to terminate initiated or submitted applications on an applicant's behalf after 60 days in the event of application inactivity and/or unresponsiveness to communication from NASRC. The 60-day period may be determined from the applicant's last contact with NASRC or the last time the applicant made changes to their application on the FRIP web portal.**

⁶ Application review and notifications will be delayed at the end of the calendar year due to office closures over the holidays.