

State of California
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

Notice of Decision and Response to Significant Environmental Issues

Item: AMENDMENTS TO THE CALIFORNIA REFORMULATED GASOLINE REGULATIONS INCLUDING REFINEMENTS TO THE PROHIBITIONS OF MTBE AND OTHER OXYGENATES

Approved by: Resolution 02-34

Adopted by: Executive Order G-03-003

Agenda Item: 02-9-3

Public Hearing Date: December 12, 2002

Issuing Authority: Air Resources Board

Comment: The amendments make additional amendments to the California Phase 3 Reformulated Gasoline (CaRFG3) regulations, including: (1) revising the prohibitions of gasoline produced with the use of methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE) or other prohibited oxygenates; (2) revise the schedule for implementation of allowable residual MTBE levels in California gasoline; (3) establish allowable residual levels for total weight percent oxygen supplied by oxygenates other than MTBE and ethanol; (4) add provisions for documentation of the presence or absence of ethanol in CaRFG delivered to retail outlets, and make other changes.

The Staff Report indicated that the amendments would not result in significant adverse environmental impacts, including impacts on water quality or air quality.

There were no comments identifying potential adverse environmental impacts.

Response: Not applicable.

Certified: _____
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Date: March 20, 2003