# Public Workshop

# Proposed Amendments to AB 32 Cost of Implementation Fee Regulation

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#### Introduction

#### **Workshop Objectives**

- -Provide background on the Regulation
- Provide background on proposed amendments
- Provide ARB staff's summary of proposed amendments
- Describe regulatory process and anticipated schedule

## **Regulation Background**

- AB 32 authorizes ARB to collect a fee to fund program
- Fee used for two purposes:
  - 1. Loan repayment
  - 2. Fund current program

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## **Regulation Status**

Jan. 2011 Affected Entities report 2008 and 2009 emissions and fuel amounts to ARB using the GHG Reporting Tool

Mar. 2011 Fee invoices sent to Affected Entities for 2010/11 fiscal year

May 2011 Affected Entities remit fee

#### **Affected Entities**

- Natural gas (gas utilities, pipeline owners and operators, and end users receiving natural gas from an interstate pipeline)
- Producers and importers of transportation fuels
- Oil refineries
- Cement manufacturers
- Electricity producers and importers
- Facilities that combust coal, petroleum coke, catalyst coke, or refinery gas

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## Why Amend the Regulation?

- Consistency with recent amendments to ARB's Regulation for Mandatory Reporting of Greenhouse Gas Emissions (MRR)
  - Support the State's Cap-and-Trade regulation
  - Consistency with US EPA's reporting requirements
- Clarify some regulation language

- Applicability
- Revised definitions
- New definitions
- Deleted definitions
- Calculation of fees
- Reporting

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# **Proposed Amendments**

## **Electricity**

- Sections revised to align with MRR regarding what electricity is covered
  - 95201(a)(4)
  - 95201(b)
- Section added to clarify which fuels are covered
  - 95201(c)

#### Revised definitions include: \_ Marketer

- Asset controlling supplier
- Associated gas
- Cogeneration facility
- Delivered electricity
- Electricity fee rate
- Electricity generating facility
- Electricity importers
- Emissions
- End user
- Facility
- Fossil fuel
- Fuel
- Generating unit
- Imported electricity

- Inter and intrastate pipeline
- Natural gas
- Operational control
- Operator
- Petroleum refinery
- Point of delivery
- Process emissions
- Purchasing-selling entity
- Refinery gas
- Retail provider
- Source
- Specified source of electricity
- Unspecified source of electricity

## **Proposed Amendments**

#### New definitions include:

- Biomass
- Cogeneration unit
- Consumption
- Consumed on-site
- EIA (Energy Information Administration)
- Electricity delivered in California
- Electricity generating unit
- Gross generation
- Linked jurisdiction

- MMBtu
- Multi-jurisdictional retail provider
- NERC E-Tag
- Oxygenate
- Produced on-site
- Radiative forcing
- Thermal energy
- Useful thermal output
- Wholesale sales

#### Deleted definitions include:

- Asset owning supplier
- Producer
- Production facility

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# **Proposed Amendments**

Subsections revised or added to reflect new/amended definitions and use of the new electricity emission factors beginning Jan. 1, 2011

- -95203(b)
- -95203(e)
- 95203(f)
- -95203(g)
- -95203(h)
- -95203(j)

Subsections revised to provide additional entity information and align with MRR

- -95204(b)
- -95204(c)

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# Timeline\* for Regulation Amendment

- Feb. 3, 2011 Public comments due

- Mar. 2011 Release Initial Statement of Reasons (ISOR)

- Apr. 2011 Board consideration

- Jan. 2012 Amended regulation goes into effect

\*Tentative

### **Questions or Comments?**

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