



# GHG Reporting Kickoff for 2018 Data

Regulation for the Mandatory Reporting  
of Greenhouse Gas Emissions  
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Slides available here:

<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/mandatory-greenhouse-gas-emissions-reporting/training>

# Outline

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This webinar focuses on facility and fuel supplier reporting

A separate webinar will be held for Electric Power Entities on March 5, 2019.

# 2017 Data Reporting Recap

- ▣ 796 reports submitted
- ▣ 517 verified
  - ▣ 99.6% received positive / qualified positive emissions verification statements
- ▣ Other reports not subject to verification (i.e., abbreviated reporters or retail providers with no imports/exports)
- ▣ 2017 summary data posted for all reports here:
  - ▣ <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/mrr-data>

# 2019 Key Reporting Dates



<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/mrr-key-dates>

Date	Activity
<b>April 10</b>	Regulatory Deadline: Reports due for facilities and suppliers of fuels and carbon dioxide, except when subject to abbreviated reporting
<b>June 3</b> (June 1 <sup>st</sup> is Saturday)	Regulatory Deadline: Reports due for electric power entities and those subject to abbreviated reporting
July 18	Deadline for corrections to RPS Adjustment data required for electric power entity data reports (i.e., 45 days following the emissions data report due date)
<b>August 12</b> (Aug 10 <sup>th</sup> is Saturday)	Regulatory Deadline: Verification statements due (emissions data and product data)

# Reporting and Verification Schedule



- Time crunch for verifiers!
  - 1<sup>st</sup> year of new compliance period → Verifiers have to complete site visits for all clients and may have new clients
- No extensions
- Failure to submit a report or verification by the required deadline is a violation of the regulation for each day the report or verification is late

# Enforcement

- ▣ Issues that could lead to enforcement
  - ▣ Incorrect data reported
  - ▣ Failure to fix correctable errors that result in an adverse statement
  - ▣ Late reports or failure to report
  - ▣ Late verification or failure to verify
  
- ▣ CARB has completed enforcement actions related to reporting
  - ▣ Completed case settlements posted here:  
<https://www.arb.ca.gov/enf/casesett/casesett.htm>

# General Reporting and Verification Information

# Reporting Tips

- **Use 2016 MRR to report 2018 data:**  
<https://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/reporting/ghg-rep/regulation/mrr-2016-unofficial-2017-10-10.pdf>
- Check CARB guidance materials for revised requirements:  
<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/mrr-guidance>
- Utilize other resources available on the Mandatory Reporting website:  
<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/mandatory-greenhouse-gas-emissions-reporting>
- If you think you may be eligible for cessation of reporting or verification [pursuant to 95101(h)] or are ceasing operations [95101(i)], contact CARB staff
- Contact CARB for any questions about requirements ([ghgreport@arb.ca.gov](mailto:ghgreport@arb.ca.gov))
- Save and file any CARB responses as part of your GHG Monitoring Plan



# Verification Essentials

- ▣ Must hire a new verifier after six years with the same verification body
  - ▣ Change of VB automatically requires a site visit
- ▣ All entities subject to verification will have a site visit this year due to new compliance period
- ▣ Be prepared to trace data to its origin, especially during site visit
- ▣ Ensure GHG Monitoring Plan meets the requirements of section 95105(c) and includes any additional information that would be helpful to your verifier
- ▣ Correctable errors must be fixed. If not, verifier must submit an adverse statement.
- ▣ If verifier or reporter is unsure of requirements, please contact CARB for assistance

# Verification Best Practices

- ▣ Initiate verification as soon as possible to allow time for revisions
- ▣ Streamline verification:
  - ▣ Execute verifier contract prior to report certification
  - ▣ **Associate your report with your verifier prior to report certification**
  - ▣ Provide data to verifiers ASAP
  - ▣ Schedule site visit early
  - ▣ Communicate promptly to ensure important issues are discussed early

# Summary of Revisions to MRR

# Revisions Effective for 2018 Data

- ▣ Summarized in **Applicability for 2016 MRR Revisions**:  
<https://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/reporting/ghg-rep/guidance/applicability-year.xlsx>
- ▣ Link also available online via MRR Guidance webpage:  
<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/mrr-guidance>

**Applicability for 2016 MRR Revisions – Reporting Guidance for California’s Mandatory GHG Reporting Program**

*\*Note: Data year 2017 = 2017 data reported in 2018; Data year 2018 = 2018 data reported in 2019, etc.*

#	Regulation Amendment	Regulation Section	Affected Reporting Subpart(s)	Description of Regulatory Update	Data Year Revision is Applicable*
1	Fuel Suppliers - Applicability	95101(b)(3)	Subpart NN	The applicability threshold determination for fuel supplier emissions must now include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• emissions resulting from imported LPG, CNG, and LNG;</li> <li>• emissions resulting from intrastate pipelines delivering natural gas;</li> <li>• all natural gas liquid fractionator emissions; and,</li> <li>• all emissions from operators of LNG production facilities that produced LNG products from natural gas received from interstate pipelines.</li> </ul>	2018
2	Onshore Production - Flaring	95101(e), 95101(b)(2)	Subarticle 5 (95150-95158)	Oil and gas facilities must include flaring emissions in the 10,000 metric ton CO <sub>2</sub> e threshold determination, and report the flaring emissions if the threshold is exceeded.	2018
3	Cessation of Reporting and Verification	95101(h)	All	Revisions to cessation for facilities, suppliers, and electricity importers to clarify requirements for exiting the GHG reporting program.	2018

# Major Revisions Effective for 2018 Data

- Calculating total emissions relative to thresholds:** Entities must sum specified fuel supplier emissions with facility emissions to calculate total emissions for determining applicability. If reporting threshold is exceeded, both facility and supplier emissions must be reported. [95101(b)(3)]

Example	Data Year	Supplier Emissions (MTCO <sub>2</sub> e)	Facility Emissions (MTCO <sub>2</sub> e)	Applicability	Reporting Subparts	Total Emissions Reported (MTCO <sub>2</sub> e)
NGL Fractionator	2017	18,000	8,000	R	NN	18,000
	2018	18,000	8,000	R, V, C&T	C, NN	26,000
Onshore petroleum production facility with gas plant delivering to end-users	2017	3,000	11,000	R	C, W	11,000
	2018	3,000	11,000	R	C, W, NN	14,000

# Major Revisions Effective for 2018 Data

- “Facility” definition for onshore petroleum and natural gas production: Onshore natural gas processing equipment owned/operated by the facility owner/operator is considered to be “associated with a well pad” unless it is required to be reported as part of a separate facility.

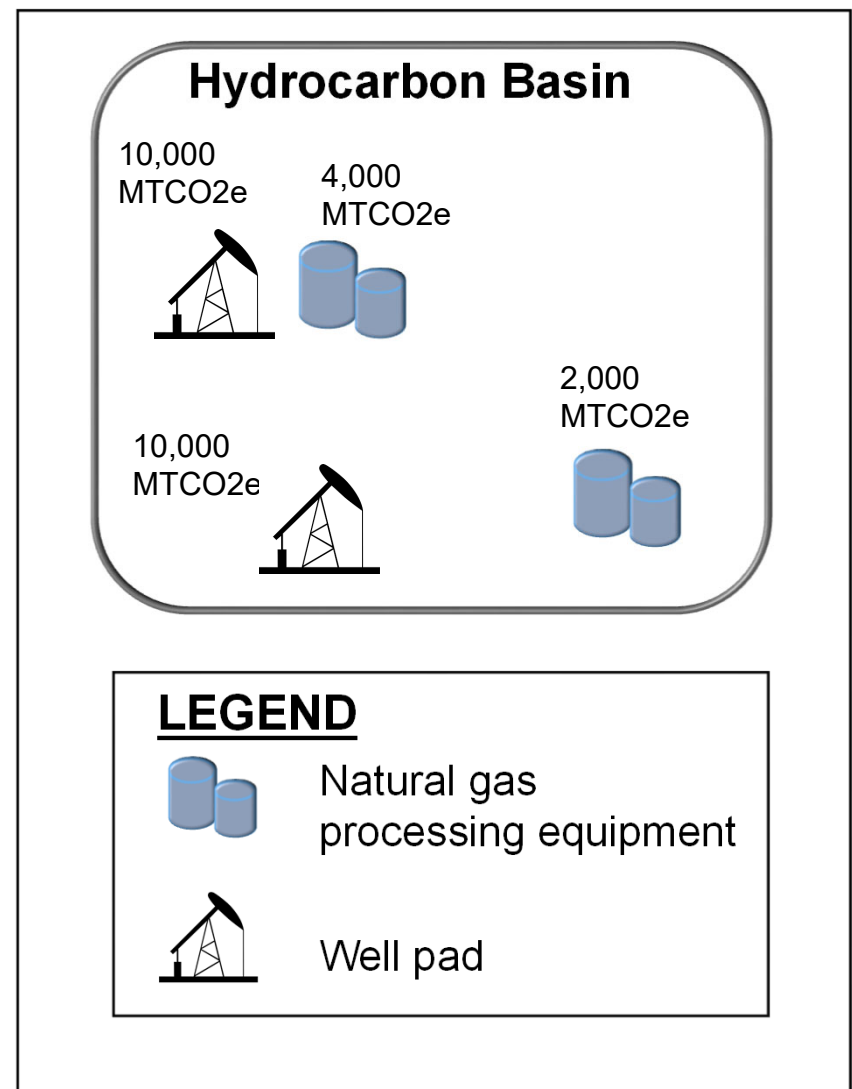
Emissions Reported for 2017:

$$10,000 + 10,000 + 4,000 = 24,000 \text{ MTCO}_2\text{e}$$

Emissions Reported for 2018:

$$10,000 + 10,000 + 4,000 + 2,000 = 26,000 \text{ MTCO}_2\text{e}$$

→ Subject to verification and C&T



## Major Revisions Effective for 2018 Data

- ▣ Point of regulation change for imported LPG, LNG, and CNG, from consignee to importer
  - ▣ Refer to “Suppliers of Transportation Fuels and Natural Gas Fuels” guidance document (<https://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/reporting/ghg-rep/guidance/fuel-supplier.pdf>), or contact staff for assistance
  
- ▣ Transportation fuel suppliers required to report volumes of fuel excluded from emissions reporting
  - ▣ Excluded volumes reported separately for: RBOB, Diesel No. 1 and 2, Ethanol, Biodiesel, and Renewable Diesel

# Updates to Guidance Documents



# Guidance Updates

- Updated guidance documents available: <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/mrr-guidance>
- Guidance documents updated to:
  - Provide new guidance for MRR amendments going into effect for 2018 data
  - Improve clarity of existing requirements

# Documents Revised for MRR Changes Effective for 2018 data

Applicability for 2016 MRR Revisions (spreadsheet)	Petroleum and Natural Gas Systems
Change of Ownership or Operational Control Notification and Reporter Responsibilities	Hydrogen Producer Reporting
Determining Rule Applicability	Hydrogen Transfer Purchaser/Receiver Reporting FAQ
Measurement Accuracy and Missing Data Provisions	Petroleum Refineries and Coke Calciners
Suppliers of Transportation Fuels and Natural Gas Fuels	Petroleum and Natural Gas Systems Covered Product Data
Natural Gas Liquid Fractionators	Electric Power Entity Reporting Requirements Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

# Cal e-GGRT Updates

# Cal e-GGRT News & Reminders



<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/mrr-tool>

- ▣ Tool available NOW for 2018 data reporting
- ▣ Cal e-GGRT release automatically migrates 2017 data configuration to 2018 reports
- ▣ Update DR, ADR, Agents (**Important!**)
- ▣ Electric Power Entity Workbook 1 will be activated first week of March

# Updates for consistency with 2016 MRR

- Subpart A: No check boxes to specify why GHG emissions changed by more than 5%, only text field for narrative

Provide a brief narrative description of what caused the increase or decrease in emissions. Include in this description any changes in your air permit status.

- Subpart C: Buttons to report the source of geothermal generation is a binary cycle plant (closed loop system), or a geothermal steam plant (open loop system)

Indicate the source of geothermal generation

geothermal binary cycle plant or closed loop system

geothermal steam plant or open loop system

- Subpart NN: New field to report LPG excluded from emissions reporting for NGL fractionators and importers of fuel

Total volume (bbbls) of LPG excluded from emissions reporting due to demonstration of final destination outside California, as described in section 95122(d)(8)

# Updates for consistency with 2016 MRR

- Revised workbooks:
  - Subpart Y, Additional Production Data (refinery products)
  - Subpart MM, Suppliers of Transportation Fuels Calculation and Reporting Tool
  
- New workbook in Subpart NN for LNG Producers to report end-user info

## Suppliers of Transportation Fuels Calculation and Reporting Tool

Non-emissions data required by Section 95121(d)(9)	
	<b>[Quantity]</b> Total volume excluded from emissions reporting due to demonstration of final destination outside California, use in exclusively aviation or marine applications, or previous delivery by a position holder or refiner out of an upstream California terminal or refinery rack (barrels).
<b>Fuel Type</b>	
Blendstock (RBOB)	
Distillate Fuel Oils (Diesel No. 1 and 2)	
Ethanol	
Biodiesel	
Renewable Diesel	

## Subpart NN – LNG Received by End-Users

End-User Details		
Instructions: Enter information for deliveries to industrial facilities and natural gas utilities.		
Customer Name	Customer Address (street address, city, state, ZIP code)	Annual Energy of LNG Delivered (MMBtu)
Customer 1	Customer Address	2,320,500

# Updates for Verification

- Entities can select verification body prior to certifying report - one more way to streamline verification process
- Verifiers can submit conflict of interest forms electronically via Cal e-GGRT

The screenshot shows a web form with the following elements:

- A label "VERIFICATION BODY" followed by a dropdown menu. The dropdown menu is highlighted with a red border and contains the text "Select" and a downward arrow.
- A checkbox labeled "This report does not require third party verification." which is currently unchecked.
- A section titled "VERIFICATION BODY ATTACHMENTS" containing a table with the following structure:

File Name	Uploaded By	Uploaded Date
No files found.		

# Updates from previous two years

- Cal e-GGRT automatically calculates biogenic emissions for Subpart C reporting

ARB #1 - Training (ARB ID: 100000)  
**95115, 95112 (Subpart C) - Stationary Fuel Combustion (2014)**  
Subpart C Overview » Aggregation of Units » Configuration-level Emissions

**CONFIGURATION-LEVEL EMISSIONS**  
Use this page to enter the annual greenhouse gas emissions information for this stationary combustion configuration. For additional information about the data collected on this page, please use the Cal e-GGRT Help link(s) provided.

Annual CO<sub>2</sub> from biomass fuels (metric tons) **4,061.1**  
Annual CO<sub>2</sub> from Sorbent (metric tons) **0.0**

**CONFIGURATION**  
Unit or Group Name/ID GP-Misc NG Combustion Sources  
Configuration Type Aggregation of Units

**ANNUAL BIOGENIC CO<sub>2</sub> FOR ALL FUELS (TOOL-CALCULATED)**  
Tool-calculated biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions based on fuels selected, and biogenic fraction entered for mixed fuels such as tires and MSW  
Total exempt annual biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions 4061.1 (metric tons)

**SORBENT EMISSIONS**  
Annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from sorbent 0 (metric tons)

CANCEL SAVE

- Check box to provide consent for CARB staff to share NG purchase data with NG supplier

**NATURAL GAS PURCHASE/ACQUISITION FOR REPORTING FACILITIES**

Natural Gas Supplier's\* Name Other

Other Natural Gas Supplier's Name Gas supply

Customer Account\* Number, Service Account Number, or Primary Account Identifier 000001

Natural Gas Purchased/Acquired 10000 MMBtu

Was this natural gas\* received directly from an interstate pipeline?  Yes  No

Do you grant CARB staff\* permission to share confidential annual natural gas fuel purchase data with your identified natural gas fuel supplier?  Yes  No

**Note:** CARB would like to share your annual natural gas fuel purchase data with your identified fuel supplier in order to more efficiently compute covered emissions for natural gas suppliers. CARB will not share this data with any entity other than your identified natural gas fuel supplier. Also, all confidential information would still otherwise be handled in accordance with the procedures specified in title 17, California Code of Regulations, sections 91000 to 91022.

CANCEL SAVE



# Batch Certifications in Cal e-GGRT

- Batch certification and submission of reports (for reporters with multiple facilities)
- Step 1 – Generate all of the reports
- Step 2 – Click on Batch Review and Certification
- Step 3 – Submit batch after final review

Batch Review and Certification

REPORTING YEAR

2017

REVIEW COMPLETE (for selected rows)

Select All | Deselect All

	ARB ID	Facility or Supplier	Report Version	
<input type="checkbox"/>	21	ARB_TEST_EPE (Sac, CA)	11	<input type="button" value="REVIEW"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	402	Smadar General - Training (Wonderland, CA)	1	<input type="button" value="REVIEW"/>

# The Take Home Message(s)

- ▣ Time crunch for verification
  - ▣ Reach out to your verifier ASAP and select them in Cal e-GGRT
- ▣ Review changes going into effect for 2018 data:
  - ▣ Applicability for 2016 MRR Revisions spreadsheet
  - ▣ Updated guidance docs
- ▣ Lots of resources available online
- ▣ Contact CARB for additional guidance

# Resources

- Email reporting questions to: [ghgreport@arb.ca.gov](mailto:ghgreport@arb.ca.gov)
- Email verification questions to: [ghgverify@arb.ca.gov](mailto:ghgverify@arb.ca.gov)
- Reporting Guidance  
<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/mrr-guidance>
- Reporter Training Presentations  
<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/mandatory-greenhouse-gas-emissions-reporting/training>
- Cal e-GGRT Training  
<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/mrr-tool>
- Cal e-GGRT Main Help Page  
<http://www.ccdsupport.com/confluence/display/calhelp/Home>
- Verification Bodies  
<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/verification-bodies>

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# Questions



Thank you for tuning in!

*That's all Folks!*