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Important Notice to Gasoline Distribution and Supply Companies, and Delivery Truck Owners/Operators

NOTICE OF 60-DAY EXERCISE OF ENFORCEMENT DISCRETION FOR GASOLINE DELIVERIES TO DISPENSING FACILITIES WITHOUT EVR UPGRADES

State regulations require all gasoline dispensing facilities (GDFs) to upgrade the Phase I systems on their underground tanks to meet enhanced vapor recovery (EVR) standards. On April 1, 2005, all existing non-EVR systems will be decertified for use. Normally, this decertification would mean that bulk gasoline deliveries should not occur.

Currently, there is a critical shortage of certified equipment and installation contractors to complete all the upgrades by the deadline of April 1. Consequently, AQMD will not issue Notices of Violation to suppliers delivering gasoline as long as the Phase I equipment is not tagged out of service at the GDF receiving the fuel delivery. This limited exercise of discretion on field enforcement for the deadline for bulk deliveries will be reviewed in late May for possible extension.

Please note this exercise of enforcement discretion applies only to the fuel distribution suppliers and not to the gasoline dispensing facility itself. All GDFs must comply with all the [EVR standards](#) in effect by the April 1, 2005 deadline.

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