

Compliance Assistance

ADVISORY

SUBJECT: Phase I Enhanced Vapor Recovery Requirements

Advisory #13-02

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Required Phase I Enhanced Vapor Recovery For Aboveground Gasoline Storage Tanks

In 2008, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) adopted Enhanced Vapor Recovery (EVR) performance standards and specifications for aboveground gasoline storage tanks (ASTs) operated in the State of California. You were previously informed of these standards in SMAQMD Advisory #12-03 sent July of 2012.

The purpose of this advisory is to remind owners and operators that the final deadline to install certified Phase I EVR equipment on <u>existing</u> ASTs is July 1, 2014. For the purposes of Phase I EVR, <u>existing</u> ASTs are those installed at their current location prior to July 1, 2010. New AST installations must include Phase I EVR at the time of installation. Currently, there are two Phase I EVR systems certified by CARB to meet the EVR requirements. You can find the Executive Orders detailing those systems at http://www.arb.ca.gov/vapor/eo-astphasei.htm.

Before commencing any modification to your gasoline vapor recovery system you will need to submit an application for a permit modification in a timely manner to the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD) for approval. You can find the application form at www.airquality.org/permits/forms/G100.pdf.

ASTs containing diesel, avgas, E85, or ethanol are exempt from this regulation.

Please be advised that anyone found using an AST not meeting these requirements is subject to a Notice of Violation and penalties as specified in the California Health and Safety Code section 42402.

If you have questions regarding these Phase I EVR requirements you may call Isam Boulad at 916.874.4859 or our Compliance Assistance Hotline at 916.874.4884.