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To the Regulated Industry:

In order to proactively address extreme and unusual fuel supply circumstances caused by global issues in the Middle East and domestic refinery closures, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued a national fuel waiver. The purpose of the waiver is to allow the production and distribution of gasoline with 9 to 15 percent ethanol content at a single common Reid Vapor Pressure (RVP) standard of 10.0 psi, and to allow 9.0 psi conventional gasoline nationwide, by waiving federal low volatility standards and federal enforcement of state "boutique" fuel requirements.

As of **March 25, 2026**, the EPA's waiver of federal enforcement of state boutique fuel requirements is effective immediately for 20 days. Furthermore, the waiver of the federal low RVP limits takes effect on **May 1, 2026**, for 20 days. The EPA has indicated its intention to continuously renew these waivers until the extreme and unusual fuel supply circumstances are no longer present.

Because the EPA waiver allows states the discretion to waive or maintain their own state-level enforcement of these fuel requirements, the Office of Weights and Measures (OWM) will exercise its enforcement discretion regarding the statutes and administrative rules found in A.R.S. Title 3, Chapter 19 and A.A.C. Title 3, Chapter 7, Article 7 with respect to the RVP and formulation requirements of Cleaner Burning Gasoline (CBG) within the CBG-covered area.

To be clear, the following applies under this OWM enforcement discretion: During the waiver periods, OWM will use enforcement discretion to allow the distribution and sale of conventional gasoline with an RVP of up to 9.0 psi, or 10.0 psi when blended with 9 to 15 percent ethanol, in the CBG-covered areas. This temporarily supersedes the strict 7.0 psi summer blend limits and specific CBG reformulation requirements usually enforced by the OWM.

The OWM will notify regulated parties as necessary with new developments or federal waiver renewals. If you have any questions regarding the exercise of enforcement discretion, you may contact us at dwm@azda.gov.

Sincerely,



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A.R.S. §§ 3-3433(F), 3434(D), 3493, 3494, 3495.

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