



**IMPORTANT NOTICE
VENTURA COUNTY APCD POLICY ON
PHASE I ENHANCED VAPOR RECOVERY**

The deadline for installing Phase I Enhanced Vapor Recover (EVR) equipment on gasoline-dispensing facilities with underground storage tanks was April 1, 2005. The California Air Resources Board adopted the Phase I EVR requirement in 2000. In December 2004 and February 2005 the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District (APCD) issued advisories to those facilities that were not yet equipped with Phase I EVR. If you have not installed Phase I EVR, you are now in violation.

A number of facility operators, fuel suppliers and industry organizations have asked about the enforcement policy in Ventura County.

Facilities Without an APCD Authority to Construct and/or Contract for Installation - Gasoline dispensing facilities in this category will be issued a Notice of Violation after April 1, 2005. After June 1, facilities that have not applied for an APCD Authority to Construct will have their Phase I fuel delivery system "tagged out" by the APCD. This will prevent the delivery of any gasoline to the facility.

Facilities With an APCD Authority to Construct and Contract for Installation - Gasoline dispensing facilities in this category will be issued a Notice of Violation beginning July 1 if installation of the Phase I EVR system has not been completed.

Tank Truck Deliveries of Gasoline to Non-Compliant Gasoline Dispensing Facilities – The APCD will issue a Notice of Violation to any delivery driver who makes a gasoline delivery to a facility with the Phase I fuel delivery system "tagged out" by the APCD.

Penalties – If you are issued a Notice of Violation, the APCD will seek monetary penalties for the violation; penalties will depend upon the expediency with which compliance is achieved.

Permitting - Prior to installing an EVR Phase I system, facilities must apply for, and obtain, an APCD Authority to Construct. For permitting questions, please contact the District's Engineering Division at 805/645-1401. You must also contact your local CUPA to determine if they will require any upgrades or permits

Questions?

If you have any questions, please contact Eric Wetherbee, Air Quality Specialist at 805/645-1496.