

# PWGC Spring Newsletter



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## National Clean Diesel Campaign- More Stringent Regulations on Sulfur in Diesel Fuel



The Environmental Protection Agency has continued its efforts to reduce the amount of sulfur allowed in diesel fuel. EPA established the National Clean Diesel Campaign (NCDC) to promote diesel emission reduction strategies. NCDC includes regulatory programs to address new diesel engines as well as innovative programs to address the millions of diesel engines already in use.

Some upcoming sulfur reductions in diesel include non-road (NR) diesel fuel sold in the U.S. which will be reduced from 500 ppm to 15 ppm ultra low sulfur diesel (ULSD). Locomotive and marine (LM) diesel fuel may remain at 500 ppm sulfur until 2012. Additionally, refiners and importers may no longer produce or import on-road diesel fuel above a 15 ppm sulfur. By June 1, 2010 100% of highway fuel produced or imported must be ULSD.

The changing regulations also mean updated pump labels: the non-road (NR) ULSD must be labeled as NR 15 ppm, and ULSD replacing the outgoing 500 ppm highway diesel fuel must be labeled as 15 ppm highway diesel fuel. The labeling requirements apply to retailers and wholesale purchaser- consumers, but don't necessarily mean that they will have to replace their current pump labels if the pumps indicated NR 15 ppm diesel. Many pump labeling were corrected in 2007 when the regulatory enforcement enacted the ULSD rules. Contact PWGC if you are not certain if your diesel labels are in compliance.

## Update on UST Operator Training Requirements!

As reported in summer, fall and winter newsletters, all states must develop specific operator training requirements consistent with EPA Underground Storage Tank Compliance Act signed as part of the Energy Policy Act of 2005. The following states have finalized training programs: Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Georgia, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Montana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming. However, the Wyoming training has been temporarily suspended until further notice. PWGC will continue to inform you of states that have finalized state UST operator training programs.

## Reminder- Toxic Release Inventory Due By July 1<sup>st</sup>!

The Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act (EPCRA) gives the community the right to know about toxic chemicals being released into the environment. The law requires facilities in certain industries, which manufacture, process, or use significant amounts of toxic chemicals, to report annually on their releases of these chemicals. Facilities subject to Toxic Release Inventory (TRI) reporting is based on amount of employees, North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code and exceeding any one threshold for manufacturing (including importing), processing, or otherwise using a toxic chemical listed in 40 CFR Section 372.65 and 40 CFR Section 372.65. Facilities must report annually by July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Contact PWGC for assistance with TRI Reporting.

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## Carbon Crazy or Carbon Smart??

The debate on whether carbon footprint is just a buzzword or not seems to have dissipated. Not only have regulations been promulgated mandating certain facilities to report greenhouse gas emissions, but more so, there is a high demand by consumers for transparency in environmental impact. As stated in previous newsletters, a carbon footprint analysis is a means to benchmark for potential future reduction. As some have referred to going on a carbon diet, one needs to first step on the scale to know the starting number.

Additionally, although many facilities have conducted a carbon footprint there should be follow up especially if actions have been taken to reduce emissions. Annual analysis will assist with ideas and innovation of how to continually improve emissions. Some facilities have set internal goals to reduce emissions by 30% by 2020 and some have challenged themselves to become carbon neutral. These reductions have also shown small to significant cost savings.

Contact PWGC for further information on carbon footprint.



Have you heard about call to recycle, [www.call2recycle.org](http://www.call2recycle.org) ? This organization is the only free rechargeable battery and cell phone collection program in North America. Since 1994, Call2Recycle has diverted 50 million pounds of rechargeable batteries from the solid waste stream and established a network of 30,000 recycling drop-off points. This organization's goal is to advance green business practices and environmental sustainability, Call2Recycle is operated by the non-profit Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation (RBRC).

Over the past year the RBRC has worked to enlist many facilities in this program. Call2Recycle partners with thousands of businesses, communities, and retailers to offer battery and cell phone drop-off locations.

A benefit to this program is that it provides real measurable data so that a reliable record may be maintained on the amount of rechargeable batteries your facility recycles.

Learn more about recycle programs today! Contact PWGC.

## Disaster Plans



Does your facility have one? Businesses should have an emergency and business continuity plan in the event of a disaster that may occur either from man-made or natural occurrences. Businesses that are located in areas prone to hurricanes, tornadoes, coastal flooding, earthquakes, and other natural phenomena should have a disaster plan that states how to handle these events and understand the value of a good disaster plan and the consequences of not having one. Although Long Island is not prone to many of the above listed natural disasters, man-made disasters, such as power outages, sabotage, terrorism, or violence in the workplace, can occur anywhere. Having a business plan can assist managers and employees with proper preparation in the event of disasters which could potentially save lives and avoid further damage. Putting a plan in motion will improve the likelihood that your company will survive and recover.

The Department of Homeland Security consulted with other government and business organizations to form the Ready Business website (<http://www.ready.gov/business/index.htm>). The site includes stories of business owners who kept their operations running after disasters and provides lessons learned. In today's time, it is very important to plan for disasters and to plan for continuing business after the disaster.