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**§ 80.80 Penalties.**

(a) Any person that violates any requirement or prohibition of subpart D, E, or F of this part shall be liable to the United States for a civil penalty of not more than the sum of \$25,000 for every day of each such violation and the amount of economic benefit or savings resulting from each such violation.

(b) Any violation of a standard for average compliance during any averaging period, or for per-gallon compliance for any batch of gasoline, shall constitute a separate violation for each and every standard that is violated.

(c) Any violation of any standard based upon a multi-day averaging period shall constitute a separate day of violation for each and every day in the averaging period. Any violation of any credit creation or credit transfer requirement shall constitute a separate day of violation for each and every day in the averaging period.

(d)(1)(i) Any violation of any per-gallon standard or of any per-gallon minimum or per-gallon maximum, other than the standards specified in paragraph (e) of this section, shall constitute a separate day of violation for each and every day such gasoline giving rise to such violations remains any place in the gasoline distribution system, beginning on the day that the gasoline that violates such per-gallon standard is produced or imported and distributed and/or offered for sale, and ending on the last day that any such gasoline is offered for sale or is dispensed to any ultimate consumer for use in any motor vehicle; unless

(ii) The violation is corrected by altering the properties and characteristics of the gasoline giving rise to the violations and any mixture of gasolines that contains any of the gasoline giving rise to the violations such that the said gasoline or mixture of gasolines has the properties and characteristics that would have existed if the gasoline

giving rise to the violations had been produced or imported in compliance with all per-gallon standards.

(2) For the purposes of this paragraph (d), the length of time the gasoline in question remained in the gasoline distribution system shall be deemed to be twenty-five days; unless the respective party or EPA demonstrates by reasonably specific showings, by direct or circumstantial evidence, that the gasoline giving rise to the violations remained any place in the gasoline distribution system for fewer than or more than twenty-five days.

(e)(1) Any reformulated gasoline that is produced or imported and offered for sale and for which the requirements to determine the properties and characteristics under §80.65(f) is not met, or any conventional gasoline for which the refiner or importer does not sample and test to determine the relevant properties, shall be deemed:

(i)(A) Except as provided in paragraph (e)(1)(i)(B) of this section to have the following properties:

- Sulfur content—970 ppm
- Benzene content—5 vol %
- RVP (summer)—11 psi
- 50% distillation—250 °F
- 90% distillation—375 °F
- Oxygen content—0 wt %
- Aromatics content—50 vol %
- Olefins content—26 vol %

(B) To have the following properties in paragraph (e)(1)(i)(A) of this section unless the respective party or EPA demonstrates by reasonably specific showings, by direct or circumstantial evidence, different properties for the gasoline giving rise to the violations; and

(ii) In the case of reformulated gasoline, to have been designated as meeting all applicable standards on a per-gallon basis.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (e)(1) of this section, any refiner or importer that fails to meet the independent analysis requirements of §80.65(f) may not use the results of sampling and testing that is carried out by that refiner or importer as direct or circumstantial evidence of the properties of the gasoline giving rise to the violations, unless this failure was not caused by the refiner or importer.

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(f) Any violation of any affirmative requirement or prohibition not included in paragraph (c) or (d) of this section shall constitute a separate day of violation for each and every day such affirmative requirement is not properly accomplished, and/or for each and every day the prohibited activity continues. For those violations that may be ongoing under subparts D, E, and F of this part, each and every day the prohibited activity continues shall constitute a separate day of violation.

### § 80.81 Enforcement exemptions for California gasoline.

(a)(1) The requirements of subparts D, E, F, and J of this part are modified in accordance with the provisions contained in this section in the case of California gasoline.

(2) For purposes of this section, "California gasoline" means any gasoline that is sold, intended for sale, or made available for sale as a motor vehicle fuel in the State of California and that:

(i) Is manufactured within the State of California;

(ii) Is imported into the State of California from outside the United States; or

(iii) Is imported into the State of California from inside the United States and that is manufactured at a refinery that does not produce reformulated gasoline for sale in any covered area outside the State of California.

(b)(1) Any refiner or importer of gasoline that is sold, intended for sale, or made available for sale as a motor fuel in the State of California is, with regard to such gasoline, exempt from the compliance survey provisions contained in § 80.68.

(2) Any refiner or importer of California gasoline is, with regard to such gasoline, exempt from the independent analysis requirements contained in § 80.65(f).

(3) Any refiner, importer, or oxygenate blender of California gasoline that elects to meet any benzene content, oxygen content, or toxics emission reduction standard specified in § 80.41 on average for any averaging period specified in § 80.67 that is in part before March 1, 1996, and in part subsequent to

such date, shall, with regard to such gasoline that is produced or imported prior to such date, demonstrate compliance with each of the standards specified in § 80.41 for each of the following averaging periods in lieu of those specified in § 80.67:

(i) January 1 through December 31, 1995; and

(ii) March 1, 1995, through February 29, 1996.

(4) The compliance demonstration required by paragraph (b)(3)(ii) of this section shall be submitted no later than May 31, 1996, along with the report for the first quarter of 1996 required to be submitted under § 80.75(a)(1)(i).

(c) Any refiner, importer, or oxygenate blender of California gasoline that is manufactured or imported subsequent to March 1, 1996 and that meets the requirements of the California Phase 2 or Phase 3 reformulated gasoline regulations, as set forth in Title 13, California Code of Regulations, section 2250 *et seq.* (May 1, 2003), is with regard to such gasoline, exempt from the following requirements (in addition to the requirements specified in paragraph (b) of this section):

(1) The parameter value reconciliation requirements contained in § 80.65(e)(2);

(2) The designation of gasoline requirements contained in § 80.65(d), except in the case of RBOB that is designated as "any renewable oxygenate," "non-VOC controlled renewable ether only", or "renewable ether only";

(3) The reformulated gasoline and RBOB compliance requirements contained in § 80.65(c);

(4) [Reserved]

(5) The annual compliance audit requirements contained in § 80.65(h), except where such audits are required with regard to the renewable oxygenate requirements contained in § 80.83;

(6) The downstream oxygenate blending requirements contained in § 80.69, except where such requirements apply to the renewable oxygenate requirements contained in § 80.83;

(7) The record keeping requirements contained in §§ 80.74 and 80.104, except that records required to be maintained