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## **Attention**

## Owners and Operators of Aboveground Gasoline Storage Tanks in Santa Barbara County

If the actual annual gasoline throughput of your existing aboveground storage tank is less than 60,000 gallons, you are now exempt from the July 1, 2014 deadline to install Phase I Enhanced Vapor Recovery.

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) recently issued a Regulatory Advisory for aboveground storage tanks (ASTs). This advisory exempts certain ASTs from the requirements of Phase I Enhanced Vapor Recovery (EVR). Under the terms of this regulatory advisory an existing AST in Santa Barbara County is now exempt from the July 1, 2014 deadline to install Phase I EVR if the <u>actual</u> annual gasoline throughput is less than 60,000 gallons.

Please be advised that this exemption applies only to existing ASTs located in Santa Barbara County. New ASTs installed after July 1, 2010 are still required to install and operate Phase I EVR equipment. Owners and operators of ASTs in other Air Districts are encouraged to contact their local District to determine what exemptions may apply. This exemption applies to Phase I EVR requirements only, and does not affect the requirements for Standing Loss Control EVR. Phase I EVR and Standing Loss Control EVR requirements do not apply to gasoline bulk plant ASTs or ASTs containing aviation gasoline.

The final ARB rulemaking will not occur until November 2014. In the event that the final adopted amendments differ from those identified in the ARB Regulatory Advisory, AST owners and operators will be provided additional time to install Phase I EVR. The installation timeline will be specified in the adopted amendments.

For further information on the ARB's Vapor Recovery Program or to view the Regulatory Advisory, please visit the ARB's website at <a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov/vapor/vapor.htm">http://www.arb.ca.gov/vapor/vapor.htm</a>. If you have any questions, please contact our Paula Iorio at (805) 961-8867 or by e-mail at IorioP@sbcapcd.org.

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