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|  | <p>Ministry of Energy</p> <p><i>Issued: January 2011</i></p> | <p>Renewable and Low Carbon Fuel Requirements Regulation</p> <p>Small Supplier Exemption</p> <p>Information Bulletin RLCF-005</p> |
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Approximately six percent of the fuel in BC is provided by those who supply less than 200 million litres of gasoline and diesel combined, and less than one percent is provided by those who supply less than 10 million litres. In 2010, those who supply less than 200 million litres will be exempt from the requirements to include renewable content or reduce carbon intensity. By 2012, the exemption limit will drop to 10 million litres according to the following schedule:

| Compliance Period | Exemption Limit (Total of Gasoline and Diesel) |
|--------------------------|---|
| 2010 | Up to 200 million litres |
| 2011 | Up to 50 million litres |
| 2012 and after | Up to 10 million litres |

The exemption provides flexibility as small suppliers prepare to comply in 2012. The intent of the exemption is to ensure that by 2012, over 99% of the fuel supplied in British Columbia complies with the requirements for renewable content and with the requirement to reduce carbon intensity.

Fuel suppliers who do not supply gasoline or diesel class fuels are not considered to be Part 2 fuel suppliers under section 7.2 of the Renewable and Low Carbon Fuel Requirements Regulation (the Regulation). Exempt suppliers are still required to report volumes but will not be allowed to exchange notional transfers of records of Part 2 fuel.

Section 7.2 does not apply to Part 3 fuel suppliers who do not supply Part 2 fuel, and therefore those fuel suppliers who supply Part 3 fuel only are not exempted from the low carbon requirements of the Regulation.

There is no formal application process to claim the exemption. Exempt suppliers are required to report gasoline and diesel volumes by using the Compliance Report Short Form.

Need more information?

Please see the Renewable and Low Carbon Fuel website at <http://www.empr.gov.bc.ca/RET/RLCFRR/Pages/default.aspx> or email us at lcfr@gov.bc.ca

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