

## EPAct State & Alternative Fuel Provider Fleet Compliance Resources

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) established the Alternative Fuel Transportation Program (the Program) and associated regulatory requirements for certain state and alternative fuel provider fleets according to the Energy Policy Act (EPAct) of 1992, as amended. Annually, covered fleets under the Program must either acquire a specific percentage of alternative fuel vehicles (AFVs)—called Standard Compliance—or reduce their petroleum consumption—called Alternative Compliance. This flyer answers some basic compliance questions and summarizes publicly available resources. Learn more about EPAct and the Program at [www.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/epact](http://www.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/epact).

### Compliance Basics

#### Who must comply?

Covered fleets must comply with EPAct requirements. Learn about covered fleets at [www.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/epact/covered\\_fleets.html](http://www.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/epact/covered_fleets.html).

#### How do covered fleets comply?

Covered fleets comply via Standard Compliance or Alternative Compliance. Learn more about these different compliance methods at [www.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/epact/compliance\\_methods.html](http://www.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/epact/compliance_methods.html).

#### Standard Compliance

Standard Compliance requires covered fleets to acquire a certain percentage of AFVs each year based on the number of light-duty vehicles acquired. The following general guidance documents and resources are available:

- *A Guidebook to the U.S. DOE's Alternative Fuel Transportation Program for State and Alternative Fuel Provider Fleets*
- *Documentation Guidelines for Emergency Repair and Restoration Vehicle Exclusions*
- *Commercially Available Hybrid Electric, Low-Speed Vehicles Not Eligible for EPAct Credit Under Standard Compliance*
- Information on obtaining biodiesel fuel use credits

- Links to the online reporting database and the credits bulletin board.

#### Alternative Compliance

Alternative Compliance allows covered fleets to seek a waiver from the AFV-acquisition requirements of Standard Compliance and instead implement petroleum-reduction measures. The following general guidance documents are available:

- *Alternative Compliance: Guidelines for Preparing and Submitting a Waiver Request Application and Other Documentation Requirements*
- Example Alternative Compliance Annual Report
- Example Alternative Compliance Waiver Request Application.

### Resources

The resources below help state and alternative fuel provider fleets comply with EPAct obligations and assist the public in better understanding the Program.

#### Key Terms

Definitions of the key terms used by the Program and found in its authorizing statutes can be found at [www.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/epact/key\\_terms.html](http://www.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/epact/key_terms.html).

#### Questions

Find answers to more than 50 frequently asked questions at [www.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/epact/faqs.html](http://www.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/epact/faqs.html).

### Statutes and Regulations

Statutes and regulations shape the activities that EPAct 1992, as amended, established. Learn more about these statutes and regulations at [www.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/epact/alt\\_comp\\_resources.html](http://www.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/epact/alt_comp_resources.html).

### Tools

Links to tools that covered fleets may use, including the Alternative Fuel Station Locator, the Petroleum Reduction Planning (PREP) Tool, and tools specific to Alternative Compliance, can be found at [www.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/epact/alt\\_comp\\_resources.html](http://www.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/epact/alt_comp_resources.html).

### Workshops

The Program, in collaboration with DOE's Federal Fleet and Clean Cities programs, offers workshops for regulated fleet representatives, Clean Cities stakeholders, and fuel providers in an effort to identify ways to increase the availability of alternative fueling infrastructure. Find workshop information at [www.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/epact/workshops.html](http://www.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/epact/workshops.html).

**Additional Help** The Program's Regulatory Information Line is available at 202-586-9171 or [regulatory.info@nrel.gov](mailto:regulatory.info@nrel.gov) to provide additional help for inquiries related to the Program.