

# Proposed Prohibitions on High-GWP HFCs in New Refrigeration and Air-conditioning



January 30, 2020



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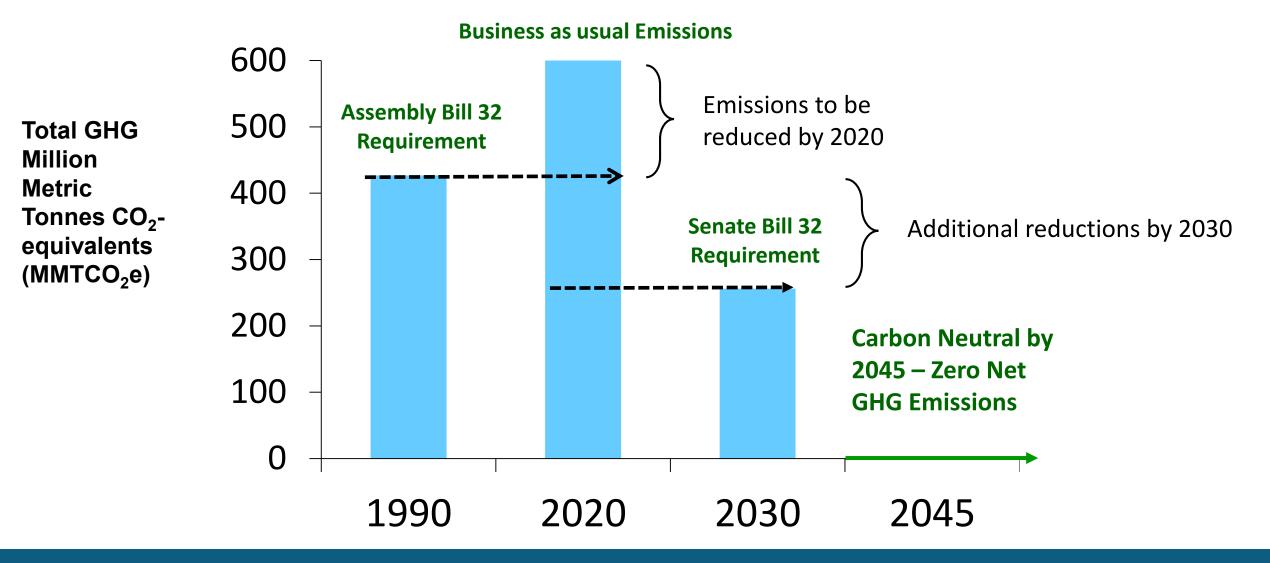


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# Why HFC reductions? Part of Comprehensive GHG Emissions Reductions Goals in CA, from All Sources

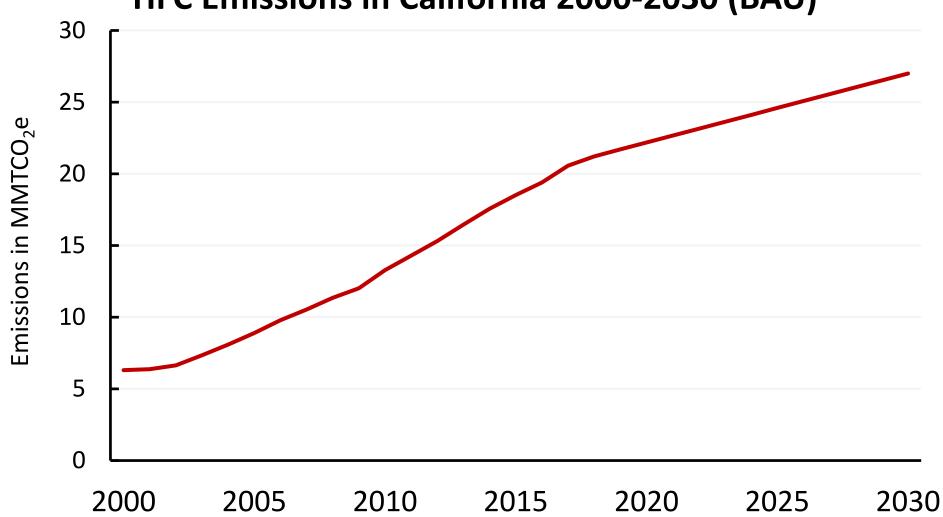




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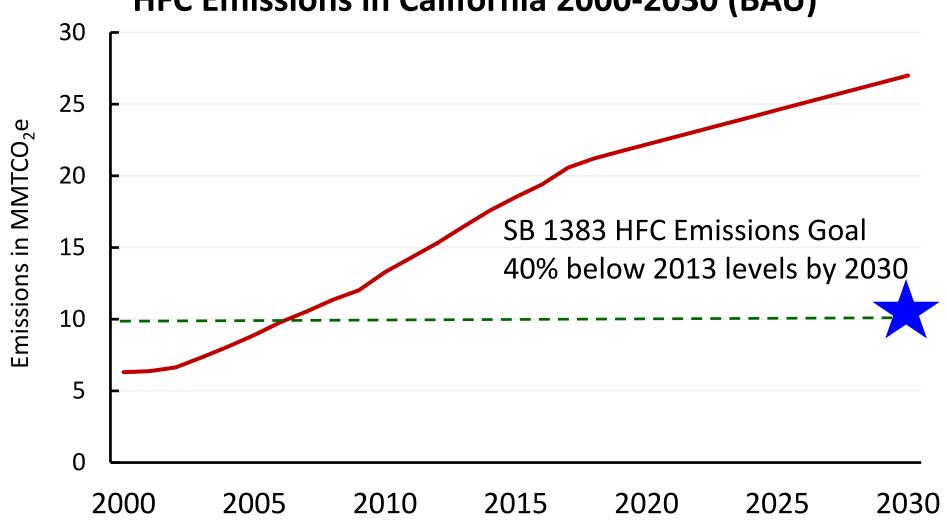




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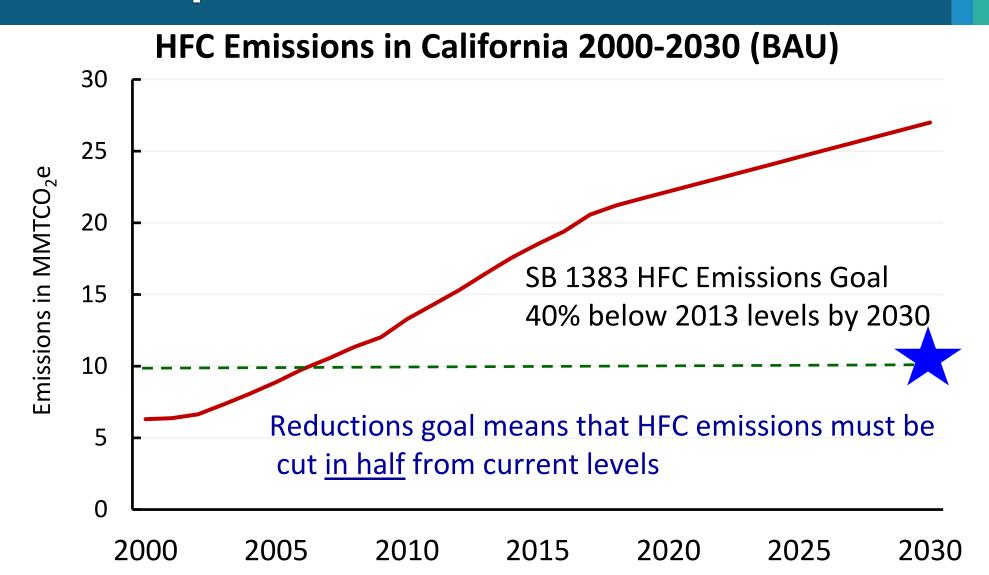






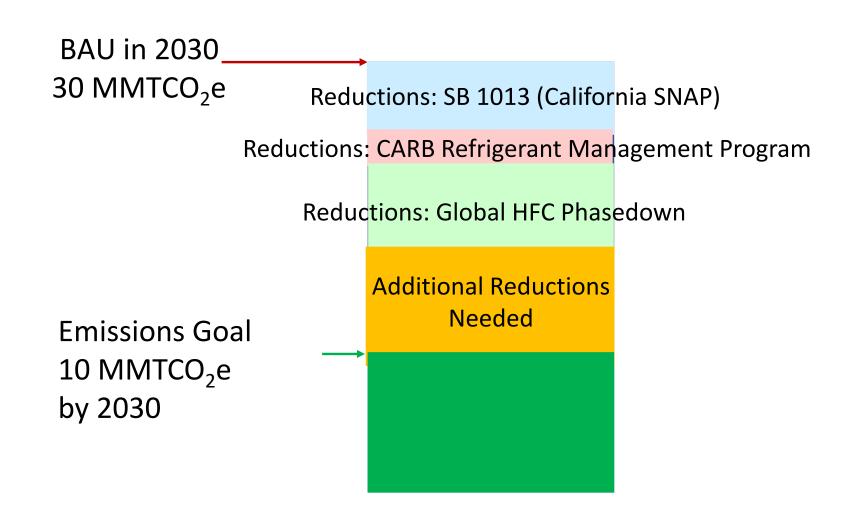
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# Four HFC Reductions Strategies in California: All four are needed to meet SB 1383 reductions goal





#### Administrative Updates to HFC Regulation



Initial HFC Regulation Adopted March 2018

Refrigeration, Foams



SB 1013
Signed
September
2018

Aerosols,
Chillers, Cold
Storage,
Additional
Foams,
Refrigerator

California SNAP

Administrative Update to California SNAP Regulation now includes SB 1013 prohibitions January 2020 (Section 100)

### Admin Updates to HFC Regulation (cont.)



- March 2018 requirements have not changed.
- SB 1013 requirements have not changed.
- They are now one regulation in one place.
- Proposed regulations (to be discussed today), will be added to the 'California SNAP' regulation.



#### Questions?

Webinar: email questions to:

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Draft regulation text:

https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/hfc-reduction-measures/meetings-workshops



#### Public Workshop

# Proposed GWP Limit for New Stationary Air Conditioning Equipment

January 30, 2020

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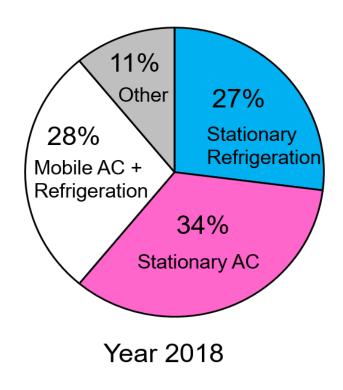
### **Today's Presentation**

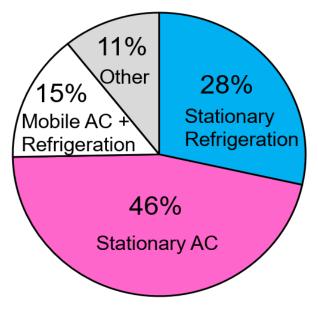


- Background
- Draft Regulatory Text
- Next Steps and Anticipated Timelines
- Discussion

#### **HFC Emissions in California**







Year 2030 (Projected)

#### Proposed GWP Limit on AC Equipment



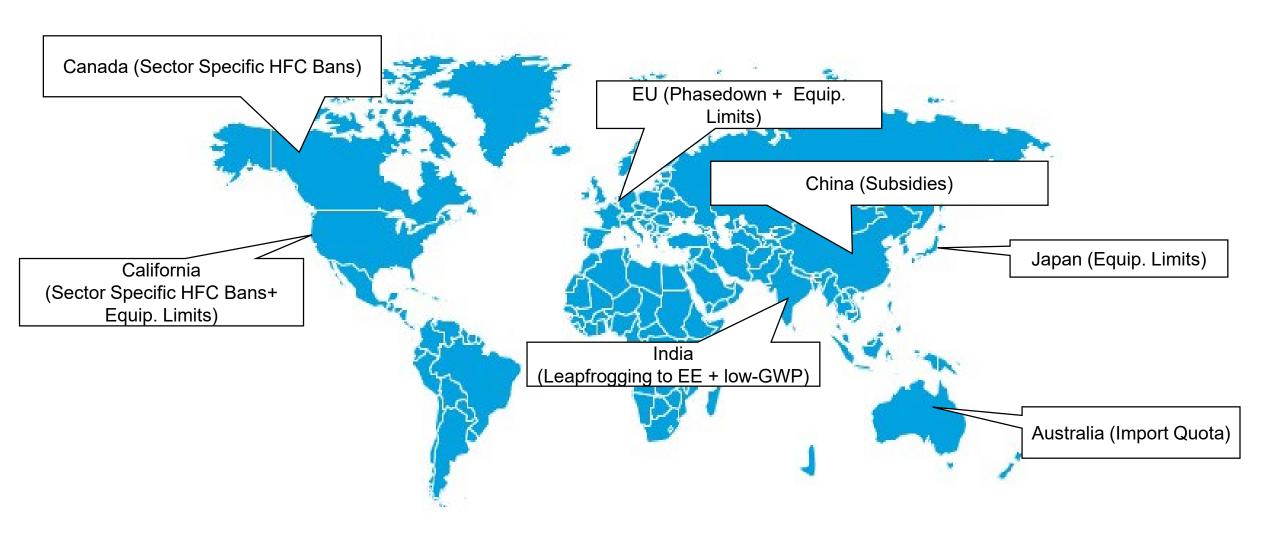
Effective <u>January 1, 2023</u>, new air conditioning systems must use a refrigerant with a global warming potential (GWP) value < 750



# Background

# How does California fit in with Policies Driving Refrigerant Changes in AC Globally?





#### **Status of <750 GWP Alternatives**



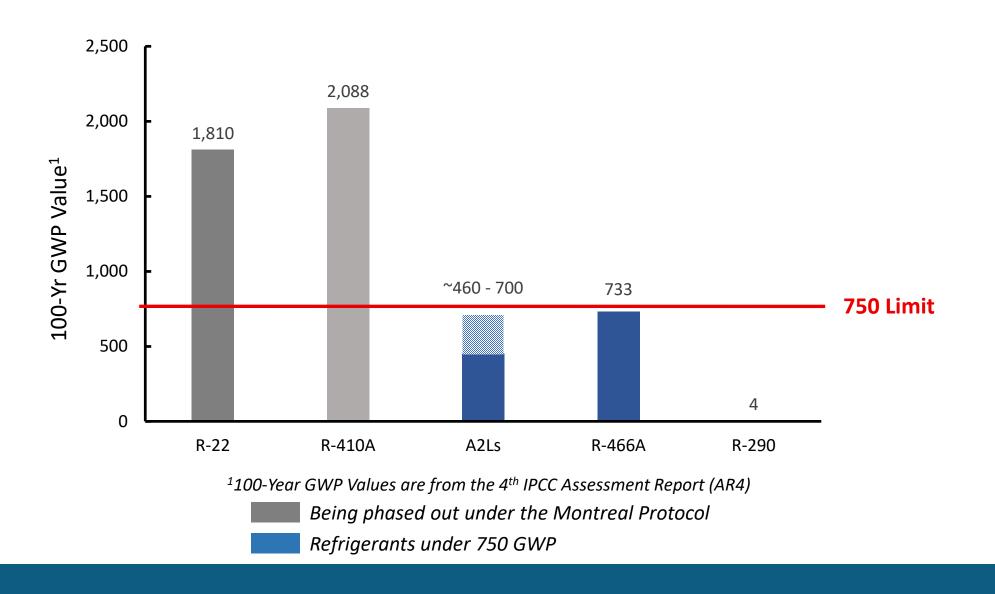
Category	Global Status	California Status
Room AC (window/wall + portable)		
Ductless split systems		
Ducted split + package systems	•	
Small VRV/VRF		
Larger VRV/VRF	•	

commercially available

Product under development or pending codes/standards updates

#### R-410A Refrigerant Alternatives <750 GWP

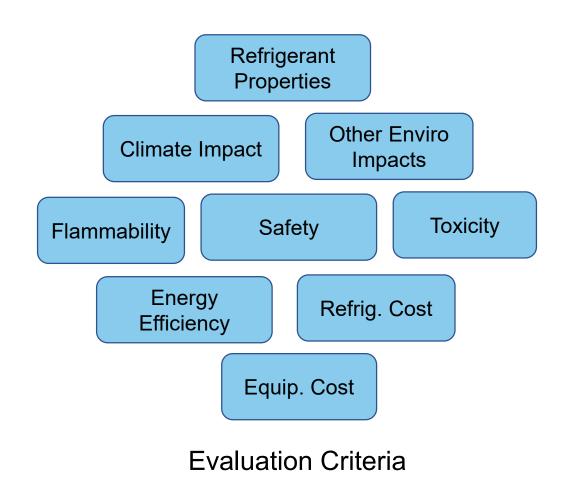




#### How are refrigerants evaluated?



- Product and Application Safety Standards
- U.S. EPA SNAP
- California Building Code





# **Regulatory Text**

#### **GWP Limit for Stationary AC**



#### § 95374. List of Prohibited Substances.

Part of Table 3 in the draft regulatory text

General End-Use	Specific End-Use	Prohibited Substances	Effective Date
Air-conditioning			
Air-conditioning equipment	Air-conditioning equipment (new), residential and non-residential	Refrigerants with a GWP of 750 or greater	Prohibited as of January 1, 2023

#### Requirements



#### §95377. Requirements Applicable to Table 3 of Section 95374(c).

(a) *Prohibitions*. No person shall sell, lease, rent, install, use, or enter into commerce in the State of California, any end-use equipment or product manufactured after the effective date, that does not comply with Table 3 of section 95374(c) of this

#### **AC Equipment Categories**



#### residential + non-residential

**Room AC + Dehumidifiers** 



portable



window and through-the-wall



packaged terminal AC (PTAC) packaged terminal HP (PTHP)



dehumidifiers

**Ducted/Ductless** 



smaller ductless, ducted split and packaged systems used in residences



ductless and ducted systems used in commercial/nonresidential applications

GWP <750 beginning 2023

#### **Definition of AC Equipment**



#### § 95373. Definitions.

"Air-conditioning Equipment" or "Air-conditioning System" means equipment that cools enclosed spaces in residential or non-residential settings, including room air conditioning such as window units, packaged terminal air conditioners (PTAC), packaged terminal heat pumps (PTHP), and portable air conditioners; central air conditioners (i.e., ducted); non-ducted systems (both mini and multi splits); packaged rooftop units; water-source and ground-source heat pumps; and other products. Air-conditioning also includes computer room and data center cooling. Chillers are defined separately from "air-conditioning equipment."

#### **Definition of New AC Equipment**



#### § 95373. Definitions.

"New Air-conditioning Equipment" means any air-conditioning equipment that is first installed using new or used components, or a new condensing unit in an existing system, or a new evaporator unit in an existing system.

#### Requirements that Support Enforcement



- Recordkeeping (manufacturers)
- Labeling: date, refrigerant type + amount





#### Recordkeeping Requirements



#### §95377. Requirements Applicable to Table 3

- Recordkeeping: Any person who manufactures new AC equipment shall maintain for five years and make available, upon request:
  - Contact details of purchaser (name, address, telephone, email).
  - Model and serial number of the equipment and / or components where applicable.
  - Date of manufacture of the equipment.
  - Date of sale of the equipment.
  - The refrigerant type(s) the equipment is designed to use.
  - The refrigerant and full charge capacity of the equipment, where available.

#### Labeling Requirements



#### §95377. Requirements Applicable to Table 3

- ❖Labeling: Display a label on the equipment that clearly and visibly indicates:
  - The type of refrigerant.
  - The refrigerant charge size in ounces, pounds, or kilograms; and
  - The date of manufacture, indicating at a minimum, the four digit year of manufacture in standard format.
  - Existing labels meeting these requirements may be used.



# **Next Steps**

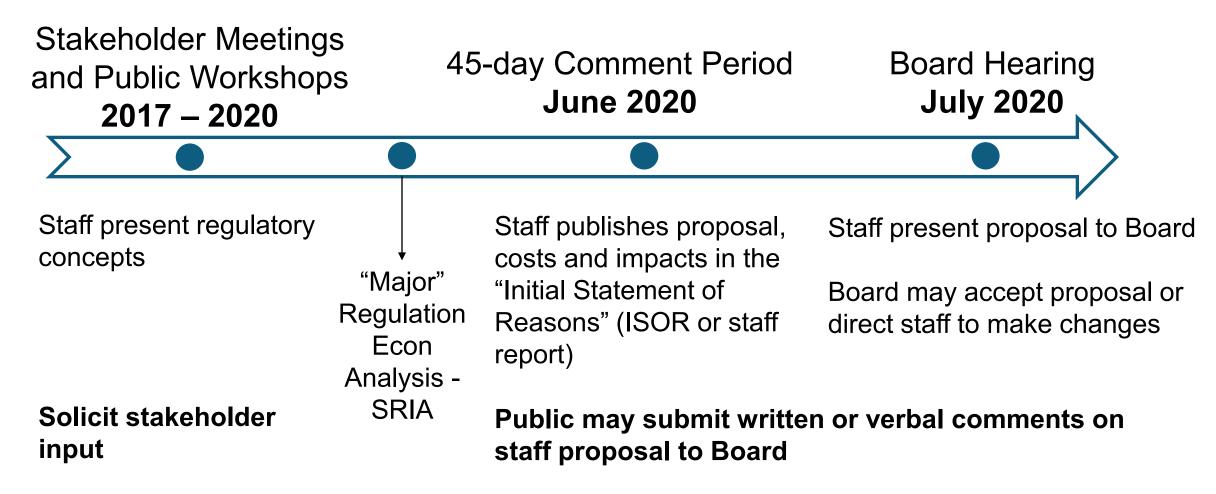
### Next Steps and Anticipated Timelines



Stationary AC Equipment		
Public workshops and Stakeholder meetings	October 2017, October 2018	
	Technical Working Group: March 6, 2019	
	Technical Working Group: August 6, 2019	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Workshop: January 2020	
45-Day Notice	June 5, 2020	
Board Meeting	July 23/24, 2020	
Regulation Effective Date	January 1, 2023	

#### **Rulemaking Overview**





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## **Discussion**



## Proposed Regulatory Language for Refrigeration Equipment

January 30, 2020



### **Today's Presentation**



- Background on Rulemaking Development
- Updated Proposed Rules for Refrigeration Equipment
- Draft Regulatory Text
- Next Steps and Anticipated Timelines



# Background on Rulemaking Development



#### **Original Proposal**

**Stationary Refrigeration**: New equipment containing more than 50 lbs. of refrigerant, GWP < 150, starting January 1, 2022

All new equipment would be subject to this, irrespective of whether installed in new facilities / remodels / existing facilities

#### Affected Sectors for Stationary Refrigeration



- Commercial Refrigeration
- Industrial Process Refrigeration
- Cold Storage

Currently subject to RMP

#### Refrigeration Technologies GWP < 150



#### **End-Use Sector**

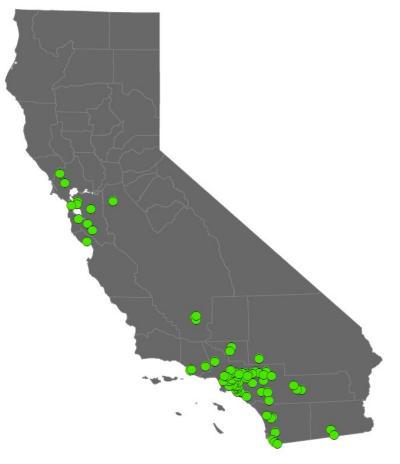
# Low-GWP Options Currently Available

Retail Food Refrigeration (e.g., Supermarkets and grocery stores)

- Transcritical CO<sub>2</sub>
- Ammonia/CO<sub>2</sub> cascade
- Propane/CO<sub>2</sub> cascade
- Micro-distributed Propane systems
- HFO/CO<sub>2</sub> or HFOs-based systems

Industrial Process
Refrigeration and Cold
Storage

Majority already use ammonia others: Transcritical CO<sub>2</sub>, NH<sub>3</sub>/CO<sub>2</sub>, Low-charge ammonia, HFO-based systems

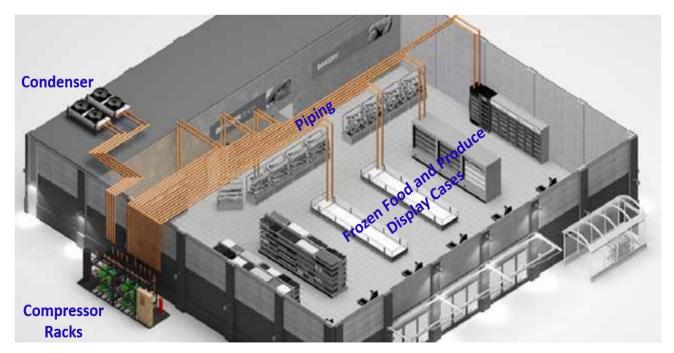


80+ supermarkets in California using low-GWP refrigerants in 2019

#### Stakeholder Input to CARB about GWP < 150



- GWP < 150 feasible in new construction and remodels
- Currently, in existing facilities:
  - GWP < 150 is expensive and logistically challenging</li>



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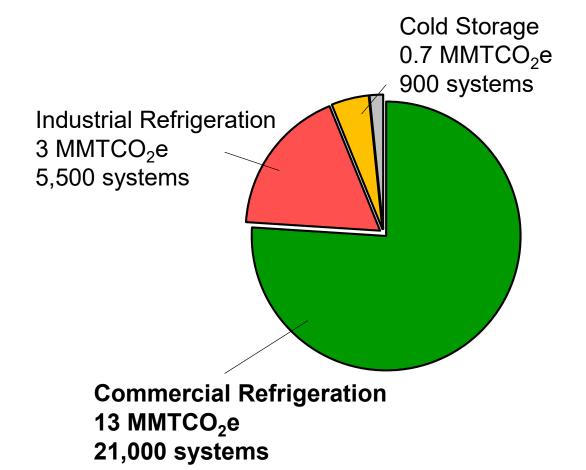
#### Challenge: Feasibility of GWP < 150 in Existing Facilities



 Only 1 – 2% new facilities + remodels annually

 Most of the new systems will go into existing facilities

 Existing facilities / stores have the highest potential for emissions and reductions



Source: CARB Refrigerant Management Program, 2018

#### How can Existing Facilities Reduce their Emissions?



HFC emissions (in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents) =

System charge × Refrigerant GWP × Leak Rate

Ways to <u>guarantee</u> emissions reductions:

- GWP reduction
- Charge reduction (verification can be complicated)

(Leak rates factored under RMP)

#### **End-User Input to CARB**



# CARB Proposed HFC Reduction Measure

New Systems
<150 GWP
(in new construction / remodels / existing facilities)

#### Hurdles

In Existing Stores
<150 GWP
Cost, Logistics,
Capital cost
threshold

#### **End-User Alternative Proposals**

New Systems
<150 GWP in New
Construction / Remodels

Existing Stores Option 1: Prescribed Retrofits

Existing Stores Option 2: GHGp Reduction

CARB "Hybrid" Option

Existing Stores Option 3: Weighted GWP Reduction

#### **Option 1 for Existing Facilities**



#### **Prescribed Retrofits to GWP < 1,400**

- Existing systems retrofit to GWP < 1,400 by 2030</li>
- Certainty of emissions reductions, straightforward implementation
- Lacks flexibility potentially every system (above 50 pounds) using high-GWP refrigerants would be affected

#### **Option 2 for Existing Facilities**



#### Greenhouse Gas Emission Potential (GHGp) Reduction

- GHGp = Σ(Charge × GWP)
- Reduce GHGp by 55% below 2018 baseline by 2030
- A per-company target, not per-system or per-store
- Flexible don't have to convert / retrofit every single store or system
- Credit for charge and GWP reduction

#### **Potential Challenges**

- Tracking and reporting each company's baseline (sales, transfers etc.)
- Charge reduction verification is difficult, needs additional recordkeeping / reporting
- No credit for "nominal" charge reduction; must accompany significant changes

#### **Option 3 for Existing Facilities**



#### Weighted-Average GWP Reduction

• Weighted-Average GWP = 
$$\frac{\Sigma(\text{charge} \times \text{GWP})}{\Sigma \text{ charge}}$$

- Target: Weighted GWP of each company < 1,400 by 2030</li>
- Fixed target, no need for tracking company baselines
- Fixed target but still per-company, not per system
- Flexible don't have to convert / retrofit every store or system
- Rewards conversion to lower and low-GWP refrigerants in existing stores



# **Updated Proposed Rules for Stationary Refrigeration**

# **Current (Updated) CARB Proposal for Refrigeration Equipment**



- I. New equipment in newly constructed facilities / major remodels, GWP < 150
- II. For existing retail food facilities Two compliance pathways:(1) weighted-average GWP reduction, (2) GHGp reduction
  - Flexibility to plan over 8 10 years
  - Prepares sector for future HFC phase-down / sales ban



# **Draft Regulatory Text**

In the draft regulatory text -

- Existing CA SNAP / SB 1013 prohibitions are listed in Tables 1 and 2.
- New requirements are listed in Tables 3 and 4.



# I. New Refrigeration Equipment

#### Requirement for New Refrigeration Equipment



#### § 95374. List of Prohibited Substances.

Part of Table 3 in the draft regulatory text

General End-Use	Specific End-Use	Prohibited Substances	Effective Date
Refrigeration Equipment	Refrigeration equipment (new), non-residential, containing more than 50 pounds refrigerant	Refrigerants with a GWP of 150 or greater	Prohibited as of January 1, 2022

Chillers and Ice Rinks have separate GWP limits (covered later)

#### **Definition – New Refrigeration Equipment**



#### § 95373. Definitions (This definition applies to Table 3 only)

"New Refrigeration Equipment": Any refrigeration equipment that is first installed using new or used components or a combination of new and used components in the following:

- (A) New construction; or
- (B) In an existing facility not previously used for retail food, commercial, cold storage, or industrial refrigeration; or
- (C) In an existing facility, replacement of 75 percent or more of: compressors, condensers, and connected evaporator loads.

**Question: Does (C) adequately cover "major remodels"?** 

#### Requirements for Equipment Manufacturers



#### §95377. Requirements Applicable to Table 3

- Labeling: Display a label on the equipment that clearly and visibly indicates:
  - The type of refrigerant.
  - The refrigerant charge size in ounces, pounds, or kilograms; and
  - The date of manufacture, indicating at a minimum, the four digit year of manufacture in standard format.
  - Existing labels meeting these requirements may be used.

**Question: Do existing labels meet the above requirements?** 

#### Requirements for Equipment Manufacturers



#### §95377. Requirements Applicable to Table 3

- Recordkeeping: Any person who manufactures new motor-bearing refrigeration equipment shall maintain for five years and make available, upon request:
  - Contact details of purchaser (name, address, telephone, email).
  - Model and serial number of the equipment and / or components where applicable.
  - Date of manufacture of the equipment.
  - Date of sale of the equipment.
  - The refrigerant type(s) the equipment is designed to use.
  - The refrigerant and full charge capacity of the equipment, where available.

Similar requirements as under the original 2018 "CA SNAP" regulation (Section § 95375)



# II. Existing Retail Food Facilities

#### Requirements for Existing Retail Food Facilities



#### § 95374. Table 4: Compliance Requirements for Companies with Retail Food Facilities.

Retail Food Facilities	Requirement	Effective Date
	Attain a company-wide weighted-average	
Companies owning or	GWP of 2,500 or a 25% reduction in GHGp	January 1, 2026
Companies owning or operating 20 or more retail food facilities	below 2018 levels	
	Attain a company-wide weighted-average	
	GWP of 1,400 or a 55% reduction in GHGp	January 1, 2030
	below 2018 levels	
Companies owning or	Attain a company-wide weighted-average	
operating fewer than 20 retail	GWP of 1,400 or a 55% reduction in GHGp	January 1, 2030
food facilities	below 2018 levels	

Weighted-average GWP and GHGp calculated based on refrigeration systems > 50 pounds of refrigerant only

#### **Applicability and Relevant Definitions**



#### § 95373. Definitions.

- ❖ "Company" means all businesses, affiliates, brands, subsidiaries, or franchises, owned under the same parent company.
- \*"Retail Food Facility" means a facility that sells food and uses at least one retail food refrigeration equipment or refrigeration system with more than 50 pounds of a refrigerant with a GWP of 150 or greater. Retail food facility includes supermarkets, grocery stores, convenience stores, restaurants and other food service establishments.

Retail food facilities subject to CARB's RMP will be subject to these requirements.

#### Weighted-Average GWP and GHGp - Definitions



#### § 95373. Definitions.

- Weighted-Average GWP =  $\frac{\Sigma(\text{charge} \times \text{GWP})}{\Sigma \text{ charge}}$
- **❖** GHGp = Σ(Charge × GWP)
- Baseline Greenhouse Gas Potential" or "Baseline GHGp" means the greenhouse gas potential (GHGp) of a company's retail food facilities in calendar year 2018.
  - ❖The 'Baseline GHGp' will be revised when any of the following occur:
  - (A) Retail food facilities that are sold, transferred, or closed will be removed from the baseline GHGp.
  - (B) Acquired retail food facilities will be added to the baseline GHGp using their 2018 GHGp levels, and the current GHGp of acquired stores will be used to calculate the current GHGp.

# Registration Requirements for Retail Food Facilities



#### §95378. Requirements Applicable to Table 4

- Choosing a Compliance Requirement for Retail Food Facilities.
  - Weighted-average GWP Reduction by default.
  - Opt-in for GHGp Reduction by March 1, 2022, via R3
- ❖One-time registration for GWP < 150 facilities (systems > 50 pounds)
  - No implementation fee
  - Same system details as given currently under CARB's RMP

(RMP: Refrigerant Management Program)

#### Reporting Requirements for Retail Food Facilities



#### §95378. Requirements Applicable to Table 4

- Starting 2022, annually report company's weighted-average GWP or GHGp if optedin, along with RMP annual reports
  - Via R3, by March 1 of the following calendar year

NOTE: Additional reporting requirements for verification of charge reduction are being considered.

# Recordkeeping Requirements for Retail Food Facilities



#### §95378. Requirements Applicable to Table 4

- ❖Records showing your GHGp / weighted-average GWP calculations for each year (spreadsheets etc.)
- ❖When any changes are made to GWP of the refrigerant and / or charge of a system, keep records:
  - Full charge, before and after
  - Means by which full charge was determined, before and after
  - Type of refrigerant, before and after
  - Amount of refrigerant removed, amount stored / sent, where it was sent
  - Date of system retirement / removal
  - For retired systems amount of refrigerant removed, where it was sent afterwards
  - The records must include documentation such as, invoices, receipts, records of shipments, plans, or work details, that are generated from a third party, such as a service technician or refrigerant reclaimer.



### III. Chillers

#### **Definition for Chillers**



#### § 95373. Definitions.

"Chiller" means a water or heat transfer fluid chilling equipment package custom built in place, or a factory-made and prefabricated assembly of one (1) or more compressors, condensers and evaporators, with interconnections and accessories including controls, designed for the purpose of cooling or heating water or a heat transfer fluid. A chiller is a machine specifically designed to make use of a vapor compression refrigeration cycle or absorption refrigeration cycle to transfer heat from a cold water or heat transfer fluid circulating system to the air, a heat transfer fluid, or other heat exchange media. Chillers can be water-cooled, air-cooled, or evaporatively cooled. Chillers include rotary chillers, centrifugal chillers, and positive displacement chillers, including reciprocating, scroll, and screw chillers. For the purpose of this regulation, "chiller" includes those used for comfort cooling, or space and area cooling, or industrial process cooling.

**Question: Input on the definition?** 

#### **GWP Limit for Chillers**



#### § 95374. List of Prohibited Substances.

Part of Table 3 in the draft regulatory text

General End-Use	Specific End-Use	Prohibited Substances	Effective Date
Chillers – Air conditioning, Industrial Process Cooling			
Chillers	Chillers (new) designed for minimum evaporator temperature > -15 °F (-26 °C)	Refrigerants with a GWP of 750 or greater	Prohibited as of January 1, 2024
Chillers	Chillers (new) designed for minimum evaporator temperature -15 °F (-26 °C) through -58 °F (-50 °C)	Refrigerants with a GWP of 2200 or greater	Prohibited as of January 1, 2024

#### **Definition of New Chillers**



#### § 95373. Definitions.

"New Chiller" or "New Chiller Equipment" means any of the following:

- (A) First installed using new or used components, or a combination of new or used components; or
- (B) Modified such that:
  - (i) The capacity is increased through the addition of motor-bearing components, including evaporators, compressors, or condensers, or
  - (ii) The system has experienced replacements of motor-bearing components in full or exceeding 50 percent of the capital cost of replacing all the motor-bearing components in the entire chiller system.

#### **GWP Limit for Ice Rinks**



#### § 95374. List of Prohibited Substances.

Part of Table 3 in the draft regulatory text

General End-Use	Specific End-Use	Prohibited Substances	Effective Date
Ice Rinks			
Ice Rinks	Refrigeration Equipment (new) and Chillers (new) used in Ice Rinks	Refrigerants with a GWP of 750 or greater	Prohibited as of January 1, 2024



# **Next Steps and Anticipated Timelines**

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Please provide feedback on the draft regulatory text by Friday, February 21<sup>st</sup> by emailing us at HFCReduction@arb.ca.gov

#### Question Recap – CARB requests your feedback



#### ❖New Refrigeration Equipment

- Definition of "New Refrigeration Equipment" part (C) adequately cover "major remodels"?
- Do existing labels meet the labeling requirements?

#### Existing Retail Food Facilities

Reporting requirements to verify charge reductions

❖Any other topics?



#### Thank you for listening!

#### CARB welcomes your feedback.



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### SB 1013 Incentive Program

### F-Gas Reduction Incentive Program (FRIP)



January 30, 2020

#### FRIP Workshop Agenda



- GGRF Requirements and Guidelines
- Process and Timeline of Funding Program
- Eligible Technologies and Funding Amounts
- Agency and Utility Announcements
- Stakeholder Feedback

#### Background



- SB 1013 established an incentive program to "promote the adoption of new refrigerant technologies to achieve short- and long-term climate benefits, energy efficiency, and other cobenefits..."
- \$1 million allocated in the FY 2019-20 budget from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF) (AB 74, Budget Act of 2019)
- GGRF appropriations fall under the umbrella of California Climate Investments

## California Climate Investments (CCI)



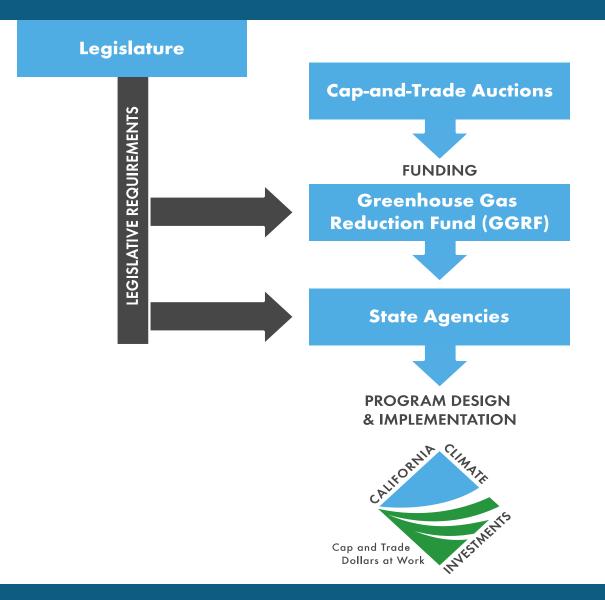


# What is California Climate Investments?

A statewide initiative that puts billions of Cap-and-Trade dollars to work reducing greenhouse gas emissions, strengthening the economy and improving public health and the environment—particularly in disadvantaged communities.

#### **California Climate Investments**





#### **California Climate Investments**



	AIR RESOURCES BOARD
Requirements	Recommendations
GHG emission reductions	Encourage projects that contribute to other State goals
Benefit priority populations	Coordinate investments to provide multiple benefits and maximize benefits
Maximize economic, environmental, and health co-benefits	Conduct outreach to help applicants access funding
Foster job creation and job training	
Avoid burdens to priority populations	
Ensure transparency and accountability	

#### **CCI Program Steps and Resources**



Step	Purpose
Expenditure Record	Legal document that describes how the program will meet the statutory requirements of California Climate Investments.
Program Guidelines	Provide applicants information on the program structure and requirements, who and what technologies are eligible, funding amount available, project selection criteria, application procedures and key deadlines.
Quantification Methodology	Excel-based tool provided by CARB for applicants to quantify GHG emission reductions from project.
Solicitation/Application Materials	Materials that need to be submitted by potential applicants

#### **FRIP Program Timeline**

1<sup>st</sup> Public workshop

**Liquidation Deadline** 



January 30, 2020

June 30, 2025

Expenditure Record	January 2020 (complete)
Stakeholder input on Program Structure	January-March 15, 2020
Draft program guidelines release	April 2020
2 <sup>nd</sup> Public Workshop/Webinar	May 2020
Program Solicitation Open	Summer 2020 (8 weeks)
Awards Announcement	Fall 2020
Funds disbursement	Reimbursement system
Encumbrance Deadline	June 30, 2021

#### **Proposed Application Process**

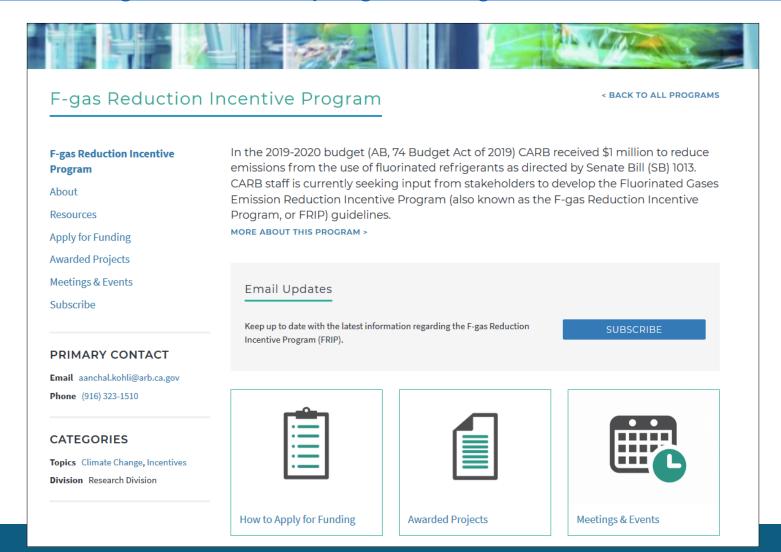


- Open solicitation period 8 weeks in summer 2020
- Technical assistance before and during application process
- Applicants expected to submit the following materials:
  - Project Narrative
  - GHG Emission Reductions and other co-benefits using Quantification Methodology
  - Plan for training contractors in low-GWP technologies
  - Other materials

#### **FRIP Website**



#### https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/f-gas-reduction-incentive-program



#### **Proposed Funding Eligibility**



- "Eligible applicants shall be users of systems of refrigerant technologies (SB 1013)"
- Open funding only to the retail food sector (i.e. owners and operators of refrigeration systems)
- Discussion of Funding eligibility
  - Retail food sector only
  - Systems > 50 lbs. only

#### **Proposed FRIP Program Guidelines**



# Preliminary Ideas for Eligible Technologies and Funding Amounts

#### **Proposed** Eligible Technologies and Funding Amounts



Tier I – Innovative Technologies (\$500,000)

 Partial or full installations of systems using ultra-low GWP refrigerants (GWP <10) in new and existing stores</li>

Tier II – Conventional Technologies (\$500,000)

- Refrigerant Retrofits from R-404A/R-507A to R-448A/R-449A
- Refrigerant retrofits from R-404A/R-507A to R-448A/R-449A accompanied by permanent charge reduction of 25% (or greater) through system architectural changes

#### **Proposed Tier I Funding (\$500,00)**



- Funding amount available Maximum amount of \$150,000 per applicant or 100% of the cost premium, whichever is lower
- Examples of eligible technologies for partial or full retrofits/new installations
  - CO<sub>2</sub> condensing units
  - HFC-free HVAC integrated refrigeration systems
  - CO<sub>2</sub> transcritical with ejectors or other enhancements
  - NH<sub>3</sub> or propane or HFO/CO<sub>2</sub> cascade systems
  - R-290 microdistributed systems

#### **Proposed Scoring Criteria for Tier I Funding**



- Competitive solicitation
- Technical Merit for technology type
- GHG reductions possible through refrigerant reductions and energy efficiency
- Requirements for funding recipients
  - Training in low-GWP technologies open to contractors in the area
  - Prepare case study after 6 months of operation
- Extra Points
  - Match funding from utility
  - Existing store
  - Facility located in disadvantaged community or independently owned

### **Tier I Funding Discussion**



- Match funding requirement
- Prescriptive about eligible technologies
- Connecting OEMs with eligible technologies to retailers
- GHG Emission Reduction Baseline
  - Refrigerant baseline: R-448A/R-449A
  - Energy efficiency baseline: R-448A/R-449A with/without adiabatic condenser
- One incentive/company and potentially two incentives/company for CO<sub>2</sub> condensing units

#### Proposed Tier II (\$500,000)



- Refrigerant retrofit cost estimated at \$45/lb.
- Incentives offered for:
  - 25% of refrigerant retrofit cost (~\$11/lb.)
  - 50% of refrigerant retrofit cost if also accompanied by a permanent charge reduction of 25% or greater? (~\$22/lb.)

#### **Proposed Scoring Criteria for Tier II Funding**



- Rolling basis with some scoring criteria
- GHG reductions with refrigerant retrofit and charge reduction relative to baseline (R-404A/R-507A → R-448A/R-449)
- Requirements:
  - Guidance documents for retrofits included in the grant agreement
  - Reclaimed refrigerant must be properly managed
- Extra points:
  - Match funding from utility
  - Located in disadvantaged community or independently owned

### **Tier II Funding Discussion**



- 25% of retrofit costs
- Is a 25% or higher permanent charge reduction reasonable?
- What about 50% of the refrigerant retrofit cost for a 25% charge reduction and refrigerant retrofit?
- Leak management after retrofits
- Prescriptive guidance documents for retrofits
- Management of recovered refrigerant
- Factoring in energy efficiency of retrofits

#### **Proposed Funds Disbursement**



- GGRF funds are disbursed on a reimbursement system
- Reimbursement:
  - Paying for engineering design services rather than equipment cost (although that amount may not be enough for the funding award)
  - Paying for partial equipment
  - Paying for the wholesale refrigerant purchase and/or valves for the refrigerant conversion, which should cover 25% of the cost of a refrigerant retrofit

#### Timeline and Supermarket Planning



 Solicitation period (8 weeks) and supermarket planning over the next few months

#### **Public Agency Announcements**



- California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)
- Southern California Edison (SCE)
- Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP)
- Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD)

#### Stakeholder Input for FRIP



# Stakeholder Feedback

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# Please provide feedback by March 15, 2020

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