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IMPORTANT INFORMATION RELATED TO THE STATEWIDE PORTABLE EQUIPMENT REGISTRATION PROGRAM (PERP)

Associates Environmental is providing this notice to inform you of upcoming changes in the Statewide Portable Equipment Registration Program (PERP).

Effective January 1, 2014 portable diesel engines (off-road engines) rated from 175 horsepower (hp) to 750 hp need to meet the Tier 4 Final (Tier 4f) emission standards to qualify for registration in the PERP. Since 2011, engines in this horsepower range needed to meet Tier 4 Interim (Tier 4i) emission standards to qualify for registration in the PERP. The PERP program requires that engines meet the most stringent emission standard in order to qualify for registration [except for flex units under the provisions of 40 CFR Part 89.102 or 40 CFR 1039.625 and CCR 2423(d)].

The PERP regulation provides a window to register a non-road engine if the application is submitted within six months of the effective date of the change in emission standard. Therefore, Tier 4 Interim engines rated from 175 hp to 750 hp can still be registered through June 30, 2014. The table below indicates the engine tiers required for registration in this horsepower range:

Engine Horsepower Range	Tier(s) that Can be Registered Through June 30, 2014	Tier that Can be Registered Beginning July 1, 2014
175 - 750	Tier 4 Interim (Tier 4i) or Tier 4 Final (Tier 4f)	Tier 4 Final (Tier 4f)

Engines rated from 50 hp to 74 hp currently must meet Tier 4 Final standards. Engines 75 hp to 174 hp and engines greater than 750 hp currently must meet Tier 4 Interim standards to qualify for registration in the PERP.

As you're probably aware, at the end of 2009 the California Air Resources Board (CARB) granted regulatory relief to operators of Tier 0 portable engines. An operator of Tier 0 portable engines was allowed to keep one Tier 0 engine greater than 500 hp or up to five (5) Tier 0 engines not to exceed a combined total of 500 hp. Please keep in mind that any Tier 0 engines held as a result of this regulatory relief should have been retired or replaced by December 31, 2010. At that time you may have elected to designate Tier 0 engines as low use (operate no more than 80 hours per year) or emergency use. However, by January 1, 2017 each Tier 0 engine designated as low use or emergency use will need to be replaced with a certified engine meeting the most stringent emission standards at the time of replacement.

Engine Horsepower Range	Date Tier 0 Low Use & Emergency Use Engines Must be Replaced with Current Tier at Time of Replacement
All Low Use or Emergency Engines Greater than or equal to 50	January 1, 2017



Finally, we want to make you aware that EPA-certified and some non-certified off-road or marine engines can be registered in the PERP. Engines which are subject to the Commercial Harbor Craft Regulation may have additional flexibility within the PERP. On-road certified engines can be registered as well. Please contact us for additional information on these exceptions.

If we can help you navigate through any of the CARB regulations or answer any questions you might have, please call us at (714) 916-4953 or send us an e-mail. Associates Environmental has recently launched its “Diesel Regulations for In-Use Vehicles and Equipment” (DRIVE) Services to help you break through the traffic jam of diesel regulations. To learn more please visit www.associatesenvironmental.com.

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