Decertified Gasoline Vapor Recovery Equipment

Product changes by Emco Wheaton in 1984 and 1985 resulted in changes of the certification status of Emco Wheaton red and gray nozzle bellows. The use of these bellows was permitted for a four year period so that existing supplies could be used. This period ends and the red and gray Emco Wheaton bellows may not be used after July 26, 1989.

The recertification of the OPW Balance Vapor Recovery System on August 22, 1983, specified that the OPW 7V Model C nozzle did not meet the new performance standards and was not recertified. These nozzles were permitted to be used only as replacement nozzles for existing OPW 7V Model C nozzles until July 26, 1986. Therefore, all OPW 7V Model C nozzles are decertified and may no longer be used in any installation.

Emco Wheaton has not supplied the two-piece black bellows since November 1982. At Emco Wheaton's request, this bellows was decertified on April 4, 1985, with use permitted until July 26, 1986. Therefore, all Emco Wheaton two-piece black bellows are decertified and may not be used in any installation.

It was brought to our attention during recent inspections at gasoline service stations that some decertified equipment is still being used in some areas. All uncertified or decertified equipment must be immediately removed from service. Failure to do so will be cause for tagging the equipment out of service and may subject the station owner or operator to penalties.

If you have any questions, please call Roye Jackson, Manager of the Field Evaluation Section, at (916) 322-6033. Complaints may be reported by calling (800) 952-5588.

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