

# 2019 LCFS Compliance Information and Credit Clearance Market Information

## **LCFS Compliance Reporting for 2019**

The Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS) achieved 100 percent compliance for the 2019 data year. A total of 374 entities reported under the LCFS program during 2019. Out of those 374 entities, 59 reported deficits. The entities reporting high-carbon fuels generated 15,486,723 deficits during this period. A total of 14,784,735 credits were generated in the program over the same time period.

#### **Summary of 2019 LCFS Compliance Reporting**

Total number of entities actively reporting in 2019 under LCFS program	374
Total number of entities holding deficits at the end of 2019	59
Total number of deficit holding entities that met their 2019 compliance obligation	59

As reported in the Q4 2019 Quarterly Data Summary, cumulatively through 2019, the LCFS program has generated 62.0 million credits and 53.9 million deficits, for a net total over-compliance of about 8.1 million credits banked in the program.

#### **Credit Clearance Market**

The LCFS includes a provision for holding a Credit Clearance Market (CCM) that provides additional compliance flexibility to regulated entities who have not met their previous year-end obligation.

On April 6, 2020 the California Air Resources Board (CARB) issued a call for credits to be pledged for sale in the CCM. A total of 47,149 credits were pledged for sale in the 2020 CCM.

As all LCFS regulated entities met their 2019 compliance obligation, CARB has determined that a CCM will not occur in 2020. All the credits pledged for sale in the CCM will be released to the pledging parties, effective immediately.

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### **Program Background**

The LCFS, a regulation to reduce the carbon intensity of fuels sold in California 20 percent by 2030, is one of the measures adopted by CARB, pursuant to Health and Safety Code Sections 38500-38599 (AB 32) to reduce California's greenhouse gas emissions. It is designed to help clean the air, protect the environment, and drive the development of clean, low-carbon fuels.



The Credit Clearance Market provision increases market certainty regarding maximum compliance costs, strengthens incentives to invest in and produce low-carbon fuels, and reduces the probability of credit shortfalls and price spikes. For more information see the LCFS Credit Clearance Market <u>webpage</u>.