

Email to DOORS Fleets that have vehicles designated as Permanent Low-Use

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Subject: Off-Road Regulation - Reporting Permanent Low-Use Vehicles in DOORS

Dear Fleet Owner/Contact,

Thank you for reporting your off-road diesel vehicles in the Diesel Off-Road Online Reporting System (DOORS) for the California Air Resources Board's (ARB) In-Use Off-Road Diesel Vehicle Regulation (Off-Road Regulation). We noticed that you have vehicles reported as permanent low-use in DOORS. If your vehicle has not been used more than 200 hours per year recently and/or is not going to be used over 200 hours in any calendar year in the future, then it may be appropriate to have it reported as permanent low-use. However, for vehicles that you have recently used more than 200 hours per year, we'd like to make clear the implications of reporting vehicles as permanent low-use.

By reporting a vehicle as permanent low-use, you are permanently limiting the vehicle's hours of use to less than 200 hours in any future year. When designating a vehicle as permanent low-use during a compliance year or during the year preceding the fleet's first compliance date, the vehicle will earn credit towards the Best Available Control Technology (BACT) requirements for the Off-Road Regulation. However, if you plan on bringing the low-use vehicle back into full service or operate it more than 200 hours per year, you will be required to meet the adding vehicle requirements in effect at that time (which could mean requiring a Tier 2 or higher off-road engine).

For more information, please see our Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on the Low-Use Provisions at: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/ordiesel/faq/lowusefaq.pdf>.

Sincerely,
Off-Road Implementation Staff