

State of California
Environment Protection Agency
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

Notice of Decision

Project Title: Proposed 2014 Amendments to the Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Regulation (SCH# 2011122029)

Project Location: Statewide

Public Meeting Date: May 21, 2015; Agenda Item # 15-4-2

Project Description: The amendments to the ZEV Regulation:

- Establish a global revenue test for intermediate volume manufacturers (IVM) transitioning to large volume manufacturer (LVM) status;
- Provide additional time to IVMs transitioning to LVM status before they have to deliver advanced technology vehicles;
- Provide IVMs the ability to pool ZEV compliance in Section 177 States;
- Adjust the ZEV credit deficit provisions to provide manufacturers up to three years to make up the deficit, provided certain conditions are met, and at the discretion of the Executive Officer;
- Clarify the fast refueling definition; and
- Make regulatory changes that are administrative in nature.

This notice is to advise that the California Air Resources Board (ARB or Board), as the lead agency, approved the above regulatory action on May 21, 2015.

ARB determined that the ZEV amendments are covered by the prior environmental analysis (EA) prepared for the ZEV regulation in December 2011 when it was proposed as part of the package of regulations referred to as the Advance Clean Cars Program (ACC). The 2011 ACC EA provided a programmatic level analysis of the potential environmental impacts associated with the ACC Program, including ZEV. The current amendments do not involve any changes that result in any new significant adverse impacts or in the increase in severity of the impacts previously disclosed for the ZEV regulation in the ACC EA. There are no changes in circumstances or new information that would otherwise warrant any subsequent environmental review. An explanation of ARB's decision to not prepare a subsequent or supplemental EA for the amendments is included in the functional equivalent of an addendum to the 2011 ACC EA in Chapter IV of the Staff Report (Initial Statement of Reasons) released September 2, 2014.

ARB did not receive any written comments raising significant environmental issues pertaining to these amendments.

The Staff Report, and all other related documents are available for public inspection on the ARB rulemaking webpage at: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/regact/2014/zev2014/zev2014.htm>

These documents may also be examined at:

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