Pursuant to the requirements of Government Code § 11346.8 (c) and the California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 1, § 44, the Department of Food and Agriculture is providing notice of changes made to the following proposed regulation:

(1) Article 10. Specifications for Natural Gas Used as a Motor Vehicle Fuel contained in CCR, Title 4, Division 9, Chapter 6 and

(2) Sections 4206 and 4207. Labeling and Price Sign Advertising Requirements for Compressed Natural Gas and Liquefied Natural Gas. contained in CCR, Title 4, Division 9, Chapter 7.

These changes are in response to action taken by SAE International (SAE) regarding its Standard J1616 Standard for Compressed Natural Gas Vehicle Fuel, May 2016. On September 13, 2016 the Department proposed to adopt by reference SAE Standard J1616 as required by California Business and Professions Code Division 5, Chapter 14 § 13446. SAE Committee TC 7 Fuels and Lubricants voted on December 31, 2016 to reissue J1616 as a Recommended Practice. Since J1616 is no longer an SAE standard, it may not be adopted by the Department. Accordingly, the Department is proposing modified text for the regulation as listed above.

As required by the Administrative Procedure Act, the proposed text is presented with markup of the most recent text. Proposed deletions are shown as strikethroughs (proposed deletions) and proposed additions as underlined text (proposed additions). Modifications of the proposed text for CCR Chapter 6, Article 10 are based on the previously modified text posted December 1, 2016. Modifications of the proposed text for CCR Chapter 7, Sections 4206 and 4207 are based on the previously modified text posted September 13, 2016. All previous versions of the proposed regulatory text are available on the Department’s website at: https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/dms/regulations.html.

There are no modifications to the proposed changes to the regulations in CCR Title 4, Division 9, Chapter 1 §§ 4001 and 4002 that were posted on June 24, 2016.

Any interested person or his or her authorized representative may submit written comments regarding these proposed changes to the Department. Comments may be submitted by mail, FAX or email. If comments are submitted by email, please include ‘natural gas fuel regulation’ in the subject line. The written comment period closes at 5:00 p.m. on March 22, 2017. The Department will consider only comments received at the Department offices by that time.
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