TO:  WEIGHTS AND MEASURES OFFICIALS

SUBJECT:  Ticket Printers on Vehicle Tank Meters (Non-Retroactive Requirement)

Recently, there have been questions from weights and measures officials concerning the application of California Code of Regulations, Section 4002.3, 3.31. UR.2.2., which requires ticket printers on vehicle tank meters. This section is non-retroactive as of January 1, 1995, meaning certain metering systems are exempt from this requirement. The following will assist inspectors in determining whether or not a particular system must be equipped with a ticket printer.

It is the Division’s position that the measuring element, the meter body containing the manufacturer’s original identification information, is the determining component of the vehicle tank metering system.

If you determine:

- the measuring element was in commercial service within California as of January 1, 1995, or;
- the measuring element was new and in the stock of the manufacturer or dealer within California as of January 1, 1995;

a ticket printer is **not** required.

If it can be determined that the measuring element fails to comply with these conditions, a ticket printer **is** required.

As a reminder, when a vehicle tank meter is equipped with a ticket printer, UR.2.2. requires the printer “…shall be used for all sales where product is delivered through the meter. A copy of the ticket issued by the device shall be left with the customer at the time of the delivery, or as otherwise specified by the customer.”
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Contact your Area Device Specialist or Brett Saum, Program Supervisor, at (916) 229-3047 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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