Environmental Protection Agency

§80.1339 Who is not eligible for the provisions for small refiners?

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(4) During the period provided under paragraph (e)(2) of this section, and any extension provided under paragraph (e)(3) of this section, the refiner may not generate gasoline benzene credits under \$80.1275(b)(3) for any of its refineries where under \$80.1342 the refiner was previously allowed to defer compliance with the standards in \$80.1230(a) and 80.1230(b).

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§80.1340 How does a refiner obtain approval as a small refiner?

(a) Applications for small refiner status must be submitted to EPA by December 31, 2007.

(b) For U.S. Postal delivery, applications for small refiner status must be sent to: Attn: MSAT2 Benzene, Mail Stop 6406J, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460. For commercial delivery: MSAT2 Benzene, 202-343-9038, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1310 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005.

(c) The small refiner status application must contain the following information for the company seeking small refiner status, and for all subsidiary companies, all parent companies, all subsidiaries of the parent companies, and all joint venture partners:

(1) *Employees.* For joint ventures, the total number of employees includes the combined employee count of all corporate entities in the venture. For government-owned refiners, the total employee count includes all government employees.

(i) Pursuant to paragraph (c) of this section, a listing of each company facility and each facility's address where any employee, as specified in paragraph (a)(1) of this section, worked during the 12 months preceding January 1, 2006.

(ii) The average number of employees at each facility based upon the number of employees for each pay period for the 12 months preceding January 1, 2006.

(iii) The type of business activities carried out at each location.

(iv) In the case of a refiner that reactivates a refinery that it previously owned and operated and that was shut down or non-operational between January 1, 2005 and January 1, 2006, include the following:

(A) Pursuant to paragraph (c) of this section, a listing of each company refinery each refinery's address where any employee, as specified in paragraph (a)(1) of this section, worked since the refiner acquired or reactivated the refinery.

(B) The average number of employees at any such reactivated refinery during each calendar year since the refiner reactivated the refinery.

(C) The type of business activities carried out at each location.

(2) Crude oil capacity.

(i) The total corporate crude oil capacity of each refinery as reported to the Energy Information Administration (EIA) of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), for the period January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005.

(ii) The information submitted to EIA is presumed to be correct. In cases where a company disagrees with this information, the company may petition EPA with appropriate data to correct the record when the company submits its application for small refiner status.

(3) The type of business activity carried out at each location.

(4) For each refinery, an indication of the small refiner option(s), pursuant to §80.1342, intended to be utilized at the refinery.

(5) A letter signed by the president, chief operating officer or chief executive officer of the company, or his/her designee, stating that the information contained in the application is true to the best of his/her knowledge, and that the company owned the refinery as of January 1, 2006.

(6) Name, address, phone number, facsimile number, and e-mail address of a corporate contact person.

(d) Approval of a small refiner status application will be based on the information submitted under paragraph (c) of this section and any other relevant information.

(e) EPA will notify a refiner of approval or disapproval of small refiner status by letter.