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Re: GMA Trucking RFP Update – Inclusion of California

To interested stakeholders:

Thank you for your continued interest in the GMA Trucking program and ongoing Request for Proposal (RFP). We are reaching out to notify you of an **important shift** in the RFP that may be relevant to you and potential partners or customers.

Given recent changes in federal and California policies, GMA Trucking has decided to **open its ongoing RFP to include bids from California** that comply with the Atmospheric Benefit Principle (ABP). This shift is driven primarily by California's withdrawal of its waiver request for the Advanced Clean Fleets rule, which was the regulation that posed the greatest risk of conflict with GMA Trucking's ABP.

GMA Trucking members are still **committed to purchasing EACs generated outside of California** to demonstrate the power of book and claim to drive technology deployment across regions, especially in places where ZEV infrastructure build out and vehicle adoption have so far lagged. Consequently, GMA Trucking and its members aim to contract approximately half of the collective demand, 100 million ton-miles, from attributes that are generated outside of California. There will be a **preference** for bidders that can offer attributes generated from **both inside and outside of California**, over those only offering attributes from California.

For California bids to qualify, they must **comply with the Atmospheric Benefit Principle (ABP)** requirements stated on slides 17-18 of the Introduction Materials deck¹. Namely, for battery electric vehicles, electrons dispensed to charge the vehicles generating the attributes must not generate LCFS credits (or the equivalent LCFS credits must be purchased and withheld). For carriers serving or related to a warehouse covered by WAIRE, GMA Trucking encourages applications and will work with you to ensure your proposal is aligned with the ABP.

Through this shift in direction, we are seeking to respond to policy changes and continue to support scalable technology solutions while maintaining our commitment to environmental integrity. Voluntary private sector investment, enabled by book and claim systems and demand aggregation platforms, can maintain momentum for zero emission trucking solutions, even in the face of a shifting policy landscape.

As a result, the RFP submission date will be **pushed by one month, to April 25th**. We appreciate your understanding for this change of direction and please reach out to trucking@gmacenter.org for any questions.

Best,

GMA Trucking Team

¹ The Introduction Materials deck can be downloaded by clicking on 'Download Full RFP' [here](#).