September 12, 2018

To: All Gasoline Importers, Retailers and Other Interested Parties

Re: September Fuel Volatility Waiver for North Carolina

Based on the impending impact of Hurricane Florence and the current high demand for gasoline to assist in evacuations, the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, is waiving volatility specifications in gasoline pursuant to 02 NCAC 42.0201(a)(1) and in gasoline/alcohol blends pursuant to 02 NCAC 42.0201(b)(3). This will allow for an increase in the gasoline supply that should not affect the quality of fuel.

Gasoline of Vapor Pressure/Distillation Class C (per ASTM D4814-18) may be sold through September 15th, 2018. This fuel is appropriate for use through October.

Per 02 NCAC 42.0201(b), for gasoline blended with 10% or less ethanol there is a vapor pressure tolerance a 1.0 psi and the vapor/liquid ratio specification (TV/L) is waived.

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