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to \$80.1426(f)(6) for renewable fuel produced in the 48 contiguous states plus Hawaii or imported into the 48 contiguous states plus Hawaii between July 1, 2010 and the effective date (identified pursuant to paragraph (g)(2) of this section) of a new pathway for the fuel in question, may generate a number of delayed gallon-RINs for that renewable fuel in accordance with paragraph (f) of this section.

- (i) The standardized volume of fuel  $(V_s)$  used by a party to determine the RIN volume  $(V_{RIN})$  under paragraph (f) of this section shall be the standardized volume of the fuel described in paragraph (g)(1)(i) of this section that was produced in the 48 contiguous states plus Hawaii or imported into the 48 contiguous states plus Hawaii by the party, and transferred to another party, between July 1, 2010 and the earlier of either of the following dates:
- (A) The effective date (identified pursuant to paragraph (g)(2) of this section) of the new pathway through which the fuel in question was produced; or
  - (B) December 31, 2011.
  - (ii) [Reserved]
- (8) The renewable fuel for which delayed RINs are generated must be described by a pathway that satisfies the requirements of paragraph (g)(1) of this section.
- (9) All delayed RINs generated by a renewable fuel producer or importer must be generated within EMTS on the same date.
- (10) The generation year of delayed RINs as designated in EMTS shall be the year that the renewable fuel volumes they represent were either produced or imported into the 48 contiguous states plus Hawaii.
- (i) For renewable fuel volumes produced or imported in 2010, the generation year of delayed RINs shall be 2010 and the production date specified in EMTS shall be 07/01/2010.
- (ii) For renewable fuel volumes produced or imported in 2011, the generation year of delayed RINs shall be 2011 and the production date specified in EMTS shall be 01/01/2011.
- (11) Delayed RINs shall be generated as assigned RINs in EMTS with a batch number that begins with "DRN", and

then immediately separated by the RIN generator.

- (12) The D code that shall be used in delayed RINs shall be the D code which corresponds to the new pathway.
- (13) Except as provided in this paragraph (g), all other provisions in this Subpart M that pertain to the identification of fuels for which RINs may be generated, the generation and use of RINs, and recordkeeping and reporting, are also applicable to delayed RINs.

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## §80.1427 How are RINs used to demonstrate compliance?

- (a) Obligated party renewable volume obligations. (1) Except as specified in paragraph (b) of this section or \$80.1456, each party that is an obligated party under \$80.1406 and is obligated to meet the Renewable Volume Obligations under \$80.1407 must demonstrate pursuant to \$80.1451(a)(1) that it has retired for compliance purposes a sufficient number of RINs to satisfy the following equations:
  - (i) Cellulosic biofuel.

 $\begin{array}{ccc} (\Sigma RINNUM)_{CB,i} & + & (\Sigma RINNUM)_{CB,i-1} & = \\ RVO_{CB,i} & & & \end{array}$ 

Where:

- ( $\Sigma$ RINNUM)<sub>CB,i</sub> = Sum of all owned gallon-RINs that are valid for use in complying with the cellulosic biofuel RVO, were generated in year i, and are being applied towards the RVO<sub>CB,i</sub>, in gallons.
- $(\Sigma RINNUM)_{CB,i-1} = Sum$  of all owned gallon-RINs that are valid for use in complying with the cellulosic biofuel RVO, were generated in year i-1, and are being applied towards the  $RVO_{CB,i}$ , in gallons.
- $RVO_{CB,i}$  = The Renewable Volume Obligation for cellulosic biofuel for the obligated party for calendar year i, in gallons, pursuant to \$80.1407.
- (ii) Biomass-based diesel. Except as provided in paragraph (a)(7) of this section.
- $\begin{array}{cccc} (\Sigma RINNUM)_{BBD,i} & + & (\Sigma RINNUM)_{BBD,i-1} & = \\ RVO_{BBD,i} & & & \end{array}$

Where:

 $(\Sigma RINNUM)_{BBD,i}$  = Sum of all owned gallon-RINs that are valid for use in complying with the biomass-based diesel RVO, were

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generated in year i, and are being applied towards the  $\mathrm{RVO}_{\mathrm{BBD,i}}$ , in gallons.

$$\begin{split} &(\Sigma RINNUM)_{BBD,i-1} = Sum \ of \ all \ owned \ gallon-RINs \ that \ are \ valid \ for \ use \ in \ complying \ with \ the \ biomass-based \ diesel \ RVO, \ were \ generated \ in \ year \ i-1, \ and \ are \ being \ applied \ towards \ the \ RVO_{BBD,i}, \ in \ gallons. \ RVO_{BBD,i} = The \ Renewable \ Volume \ Obliga-$$

RVO<sub>BBD,i</sub> = The Renewable Volume Obligation for biomass-based diesel for the obligated party for calendar year i after 2010, in gallons, pursuant to §80.1407.

(iii) Advanced biofuel.

 $\begin{array}{ccc} (\Sigma RINNUM)_{AB,i} & + & (\Sigma RINNUM)_{AB,i-1} & = \\ RVO_{AB,i} & & & \end{array}$ 

Where:

( $\Sigma$ RINNUM)<sub>AB,i</sub> = Sum of all owned gallon-RINs that are valid for use in complying with the advanced biofuel RVO, were generated in year i, and are being applied towards the RVO<sub>AB,i</sub> in gallons.

 $(\Sigma RINNUM)_{AB,i-1} = Sum$  of all owned gallon-RINs that are valid for use in complying with the advanced biofuel RVO, were generated in year i-1, and are being applied towards the RVO<sub>AB,i</sub>, in gallons.

RVO<sub>AB,i</sub> = The Renewable Volume Obligation for advanced biofuel for the obligated party for calendar year i, in gallons, pursuant to \$80.1407.

(iv) Renewable fuel.

 $\begin{array}{cccc} (\Sigma RINNUM)_{RF,i} & + & (\Sigma RINNUM)_{RF,i-1} & = \\ RVO_{RF,i} & & \end{array}$ 

Where:

 $(\Sigma RINNUM)_{RF,i}$  = Sum of all owned gallon-RINs that are valid for use in complying with the renewable fuel RVO, were generated in year i, and are being applied towards the RVO<sub>RF,i</sub>, in gallons.

( $\Sigma RINNUM$ )<sub>RF,i-1</sub> = Sum of all owned gallon-RINs that are valid for use in complying with the renewable fuel RVO, were generated in year i-1, and are being applied towards the RVO<sub>RFi</sub>, in gallons.

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m RVO}_{RF,i}$  = The Renewable Volume Obligation for renewable fuel for the obligated party for calendar year i, in gallons, pursuant to \$80.1407.

(2) RINs that are valid for use in complying with each Renewable Volume Obligation are determined by their D codes.

(i) RINs with a D code of 3 or 7 are valid for compliance with the cellulosic biofuel RVO.

(ii) RINs with a D code of 4 or 7 are valid for compliance with the biomass-based diesel RVO.

(iii) RINs with a D code of 3, 4, 5, or 7 are valid for compliance with the advanced biofuel RVO.

(iv) RINs with a D code of 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7 are valid for compliance with the renewable fuel RVO.

(3)(i) Except as provided in paragraph (a)(3)(ii) of this section, a party may use the same RIN to demonstrate compliance with more than one RVO so long as it is valid for compliance with all RVOs to which it is applied.

(ii) A cellulosic diesel RIN with a D code of 7 cannot be used to demonstrate compliance with both a cellulosic biofuel RVO and a biomass-based diesel RVO.

(4) [Reserved]

(5) The value of  $(\Sigma RINNUM)_{i-1}$  may not exceed values determined by the following inequalities except as provided in paragraph (a)(7)(iii) of this section and §80.1442(d)

 $\begin{array}{l} (\Sigma RINNUM)_{CB,i-1} \leq &0.20 * RVO_{CB,i} \\ (\Sigma RINNUM)_{BBD,i-1} \leq &0.20 * RVO_{BBD,i} \\ (\Sigma RINNUM)_{AB,i-1} \leq &0.20 * RVO_{AB,i} \\ (\Sigma RINNUM)_{RF,i-1} \leq &0.20 * RVO_{RF,i} \end{array}$ 

(6) Except as provided in paragraph (a)(7) of this section:

(i) RINs may only be used to demonstrate compliance with the RVOs for the calendar year in which they were generated or the following calendar year.

(ii) RINs used to demonstrate compliance in one year cannot be used to demonstrate compliance in any other year.

(7) Biomass-based diesel in 2010.

(i) Prior to determining compliance with the 2010 biomass-based diesel RVO, obligated parties may reduce the value of RVO<sub>BBD,2010</sub> by an amount equal to the sum of all 2008 and 2009 RINs that they used for compliance purposes for calendar year 2009 which have a D code of 2 and an RR code of 15, 16, or 17.

(ii) For calendar year 2010 only, the following equation shall be used to determine compliance with the biomass-based diesel RVO instead of the equation in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of this section

 $\begin{array}{l} (\Sigma RINNUM)_{BBD,2010} \ + \ (\Sigma RINNUM)_{BBD,2009} \\ + \ (\Sigma RINNUM)_{BBD,2008} \ = \ RVO_{BBD,2010} \end{array}$ 

Where

 $(\Sigma RINNUM)_{BBD,2010}$  = Sum of all owned gallon-RINs that are valid for use in complying with the biomass-based diesel RVO, were

generated in year 2010, and are being applied towards the  ${\rm RVO_{BBD,2010}}$ , in gallons.

- $(\Sigma RINNUM)_{BBD,2009}$  = Sum of all owned gallon-RINs that are valid for use in complying with the biomass-based diesel RVO, were generated in year 2009, have not previously been used for compliance purposes, and are being applied towards the RVO\_BBD,2010, in gallons.
- (ΣRINNUM)<sub>BBD,2008</sub> = Sum of all owned gallon-RINs that are valid for use in complying with the biomass-based diesel RVO, were generated in year 2008, have not previously been used for compliance purposes, and are being applied towards the RVO<sub>BBD,2010</sub>, in gallons.
- RVO<sub>BBD,2010</sub> = The Renewable Volume Obligation for biomass-based diesel for the obligated party for calendar year 2010, in gallons, pursuant to §80.1407 or §80.1430, as adjusted by paragraph (a)(7)(i) of this section.
- (iii) The values of  $(\Sigma RINNUM)_{2008}$  and  $(\Sigma RINNUM)_{2009}$  may not exceed values determined by both of the following inequalities

 $\begin{array}{l} (\Sigma RINNUM)_{BBD,2008} \leq & 0.087 * RVO_{BBD,2010} \\ (\Sigma RINNUM)_{BBD,2008} + (\Sigma RINNUM)_{BBD,2009} \\ \leq & 0.20 * RVO_{BBD,2010} \end{array}$ 

- (8) A party may only use a RIN for purposes of meeting the requirements of paragraph (a)(1) or (a)(7) of this section if that RIN is a separated RIN with a K code of 2 obtained in accordance with §§ 80.1428 and 80.1429.
- (9) The number of gallon-RINs associated with a given batch-RIN that can be used for compliance with the RVOs shall be calculated from the following formula:

RINNUM = EEEEEEEE - SSSSSSSS + 1

Where:

RINNUM = Number of gallon-RINs associated with a batch-RIN, where each gallon-RIN represents one gallon of renewable fuel for compliance purposes.

EEEEEEEE = Batch-RIN component identifying the last gallon-RIN associated with the batch-RIN.

- SSSSSSS = Batch-RIN component identifying the first gallon-RIN associated with the batch-RIN.
- (b) Deficit carryovers. (1) An obligated party that fails to meet the requirements of paragraph (a)(1) or (a)(7) of this section for calendar year i is permitted to carry a deficit into year i + 1 under the following conditions:

- (i) The party did not carry a deficit into calendar year i from calendar year i-1 for the same RVO.
- (ii) The party subsequently meets the requirements of paragraph (a)(1) of this section for calendar year i+1 and carries no deficit into year i+2 for the same RVO.
- (iii) For compliance with the biomass-based diesel RVO in calendar year 2011, the deficit which is carried over from 2010 is no larger than 57% of the party's 2010 biomass-based diesel RVO as determined prior to any adjustment applied pursuant to paragraph (a)(7)(i) of this section.
- (iv) The party uses the same compliance approach in year i + 1 as it did in year i, as provided in \$80.1406(c)(2).
- (2) A deficit is calculated according to the following formula:

 $\begin{array}{lll} D_i & = & RVO_i & - & [(\Sigma RINNUM)_i & + \\ & (\Sigma RINNUM)_{i-1}] & & \end{array}$ 

Where:

- D<sub>i</sub> = The deficit, in gallons, generated in calendar year i that must be carried over to year i + 1 if allowed pursuant to paragraph (b)(1) of this section.
- RVO<sub>i</sub> = The Renewable Volume Obligation for the obligated party or exporter of renewable fuel for calendar year i, in gallons.
- $(\Sigma RINNUM)_i$  = Sum of all acquired gallon-RINs that were generated in year i and are being applied towards the RVO<sub>i</sub>, in gallons.
- $(\Sigma RINNUM)_{i-1}$  = Sum of all acquired gallon-RINs that were generated in year i-1 and are being applied towards the RVO<sub>i</sub>, in gallons.
- (c) Exporter Renewable Volume Obligations (ERVOs). (1) Each exporter of renewable fuel that is obligated to meet Exporter Renewable Volume Obligations under §80.1430 must demonstrate pursuant to §80.1451(a)(1) that is has retired for compliance purposes a sufficient number of RINs to meet its ERVOs by the deadline specified in §80.1430(f).
- (2) In fulfillment of its ERVOs, each exporter of renewable fuel is subject to the provisions of paragraphs (a)(2), (3), (6), and (8) of this section.
- (3) No more than 20 percent of the ERVO calculated according to a formula at §80.1430(b) may be fulfilled using RINs generated in the year prior

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to the year in which the RVO was incurred.

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# §80.1428 General requirements for RIN distribution.

- (a) RINs assigned to volumes of renewable fuel. (1) Assigned RIN, for the purposes of this subpart, means a RIN assigned to a volume of renewable fuel pursuant to \$80.1426(e) with a K code of 1.
- (2) Except as provided in §80.1429, no person can separate a RIN that has been assigned to a batch pursuant to §80.1426(e).
- (3) An assigned RIN cannot be transferred to another person without simultaneously transferring a volume of renewable fuel to that same person.
- (4) No more than 2.5 assigned gallon-RINs with a K code of 1 can be transferred to another person with every gallon of renewable fuel transferred to that same person.
- (5)(i) On each of the dates listed in paragraph (a)(5)(ii) of this section in any calendar year, the following equation must be satisfied for assigned RINs and volumes of renewable fuel owned by a person:

 $\Sigma(\mathrm{RIN})_\mathrm{D} \leq \!\! \Sigma(\mathrm{V}_\mathrm{si} * 2.5)_\mathrm{D}$ 

Where:

D = Applicable date.

 $\Sigma({\rm RIN})_{\rm D}=$  Sum of all assigned gallon-RINs with a K code of 1 that are owned on date D.

- $(V_{si})_D$  = Volume i of renewable fuel owned on date D, standardized to 60 °F, in gallons.
- (ii) The applicable dates are March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31.
- (6) Any transfer of ownership of assigned RINs must be documented on product transfer documents generated pursuant to §80.1453.
- (i) The RIN must be recorded on the product transfer document used to transfer ownership of the volume of renewable fuel to another person; or
- (ii) The RIN must be recorded on a separate product transfer document transferred to the same person on the same day as the product transfer docu-

ment used to transfer ownership of the volume of renewable fuel.

- (b) RINs separated from volumes of renewable fuel. (1) Separated RIN, for the purposes of this subpart, means a RIN with a K code of 2 that has been separated from a volume of renewable fuel pursuant to §80.1429.
- (2) Unless otherwise specified, any person that has registered pursuant to \$80.1450 can own a separated RIN.
- (3) Separated RINs can be transferred any number of times.
- (c) RIN expiration. Except as provided in \$80.1427(a)(7), a RIN is valid for compliance during the calendar year in which it was generated, or the following calendar year. Any RIN that is not used for compliance purposes for the calendar year in which it was generated, or for the following calendar year, will be considered an expired RIN. Pursuant to \$80.1431(a), an expired RIN will be considered an invalid RIN and cannot be used for compliance purposes.
- (d) Any batch-RIN can be divided into multiple batch-RINs, each representing a smaller number of gallon-RINs, if all of the following conditions are met:
- (1) All RIN components other than SSSSSSS and EEEEEEEE are identical for the original parent and newly formed daughter RINs.
- (2) The sum of the gallon-RINs associated with the multiple daughter batch-RINs is equal to the gallon-RINs associated with the parent batch-RIN.

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#### §80.1429 Requirements for separating RINs from volumes of renewable fuel.

- (a)(1) Separation of a RIN from a volume of renewable fuel means termination of the assignment of the RIN to a volume of renewable fuel.
- (2) RINs that have been separated from volumes of renewable fuel become separated RINs subject to the provisions of §80.1428(b).
- (b) A RIN that is assigned to a volume of renewable fuel can be separated from that volume only under one of the following conditions: