



The Climate Registry

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General Reporting Protocol 1.1
Updates and Clarifications

The Climate Registry published its General Reporting Protocol (GRP v 1.1) in May 2008. While The Registry intends for the GRP v 1.1 to be a complete document, it recognizes that updates and clarifications will be necessary as the voluntary GHG reporting program evolves. Therefore, The Registry created this document to track all modifications relating to GRP v 1.1. This document will be updated as new updates and clarifications are identified.

The updates and clarifications identified in this document will be incorporated into the next version of the GRP, which The Registry anticipates will be released in early 2010. Until the next version of the GRP is released, all Reporters/Members and Verification Bodies should refer to the updates and clarifications listed below for the most current interpretation and explanation of GHG reporting policies, processes, and activities.

If you have any questions about the updates or clarifications in this document, or if you wish to request further explanation or clarification of other reporting policies, please contact Peggy Foran at: peggy@theclimateregistry.org or (213) 542-0291.

GRP v 1.1	General Reporting Protocol Version 1.1	11/24/08
	The Registry has changed its nomenclature from "Reporters" to "Members" to reflect that its Members demonstrate leadership in reporting their footprint to The Registry and to highlight that its Members are participating in a GHG community. To ease this transition in terminology, all references in this document will refer to "Reporters/Members." The next version of the GRP will reference the term "Members" rather than "Reporters."	

Chapter 12.4	Default Stationary Combustion Emission Factors for Acetylene	p.72	11/24/08																						
<p>The default carbon dioxide emission factors for acetylene were not published in the GRP 1.1. The appropriate factors to use in reporting acetylene use to The Registry are listed below. These factors were derived by the California Climate Action Registry from information published in the 2004 API Compendium.</p>																									
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Chapter 16.1	HFC and PFC content of Refrigerant Blends for Reporting to CRIS	p. 124 & 127	11/24/08																		
<p>In order to eliminate confusion regarding the reporting of refrigerant blends that are blends of HFCs and PFCs, The Registry developed the following reporting guidance:</p> <p>To report the emissions from these blends Reporters/Members must multiply the amount of each refrigerant used by the percent composition of HFC and PFC listed below. Then Reporters/Members must enter that refrigerant into CRIS twice; once to report the HFCs present in the blend and once to report the PFCs present in the blend.</p> <p>The only refrigerants that must be reported to The Registry that are blends of HFCs and PFCs are listed in the table below.</p> <p>NOTE: The Registry has developed an excel tool that will automatically calculate the appropriate amounts of HFC and PFC from the refrigerant blends listed below. This tool can be downloaded from: www.theclimateregistry.org/reference.html.</p>																					
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Chapter 20.2	Confidential Business Information	p.151	11/24/08
<p>To affirm the permanent nature of The Registry's confidentiality policy regarding confidential business information (CBI) exemptions, The Registry has provided the following clarifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Reporters/Members that submit the Public Disclosure Exemption Request Form for reasons of CBI will be granted an exemption unless their form is incomplete. • The Registry will honor any CBI classification granted by a regulatory agency. However, the Reporter/Member must communicate such classification to The Registry on the Public Disclosure Exemption Request Form. • Each Reporter/Member must submit the Public Disclosure Exemption Request Form for each year of data they want to remain confidential. 			