Low Carbon Fuel Standard Smart Charging Pathway



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Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS)

California's primary program to promote alternative fuel use in the transportation sector



- Reduce carbon intensity of transportation fuels
- Transform and diversify fuel pool
- Reduce petroleum dependency
- Reduce emissions of criteria pollutants and toxics

Transportation sector accounts for ~50% of State's GHG inventory when industrial emissions from refining and oil production are included

Aggressive Targets Through 2030 (And Beyond)



Credit calculation Formula

Carbon intensities are calculated for gCO₂e/MJ basis

Full Credit Value:

 $Credits(MT) = (EER \times CI_{standard}^{Fuel} - CI_{reported}) \times Electricity \times 10^{-6}$

Incremental Credits (for residential crediting only):

$$Credits(MT) = (CI_{grid average} - CI_{reported}) \times Electricity \times 10^{-6}$$

Electric Transportation Categories Eligible for LCFS Crediting

Residential Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging

Non-Residential Electric Transportation

Residential EV Charging (Base Credits)

- Only Electric Distribution Utilities (EDU) are eligible
- Based on ∆ between California Grid Avg. Electricity CI and Gasoline Benchmark for the year

Residential EV Charging (Incremental Credits)

- Entity eligible to generate credit based on hierarchy
 - 1. Load Serving Entity (LSE)
 - 2. Automaker
 - 3. Others
- Based on ∆ between California Grid Avg. Electricity CI and low-CI electricity

On-Road Transportation (Includes light and heavy-duty EV charging)

- Public EV Charging
- Workplace EV Charging
- EV Fleet Charging (Including Transit Fleet)

Off-Road Transportation

- Fixed Guideways (Transit)
- Electric Forklifts
- Electric Cargo Handling Equipment (eCHE)
- Electric Transportation Refrigeration Unit (eTRU)
- Shore Power to Ocean Going Vessels at-berth (eOGV)

There are multiple electricity pathway options



Smart Charging pathway

- Introduced as part of the 2018 Rulemaking process
- Only eligible for EV charging and hydrogen produced via electrolysis Entities must demonstrate that they can report data hourly and must be on a time of use rate
- Provides differential Carbon Intensities for every hour on a quarterly basis
- Carbon Intensities are calculated on the California Public Utility Commission Avoided Cost Calculator
 - This is a model developed by the E3 consultancy group which provides marginal emissions rates for different regions of California
 - CARB staff adapted the model to develop a table of neutral carbon intensity factors for the year
 - Updated annually based upon the model and changes to California Grid Average CI
- Undersubscribed by reporting entities currently two approved pathway holders

Smart Charging Carbon Intensity Table

- The 2021 California Grid Carbon Intensity is 75.93 gCO₂e/MJ electricity (274 gCO₂e/MWh)
- These marginal rates are normalized such that if one was charging 24/7 it would equal the grid average Carbon Intensity.

Hourly Window	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
12:01 AM - 1:00 AM	78.62	78.98	80.59	84.58
1:01 AM - 2:00 AM	78.61	78.52	78.73	81.93
2:01 AM - 3:00 AM	78.61	77.60	78.49	80.46
3:01 AM - 4:00 AM	78.61	77.55	78.41	79.98
4:01 AM - 5:00 AM	78.74	78.64	78.35	81.02
5:01 AM - 6:00 AM	82.41	84.58	79.21	90.21
6:01 AM - 7:00 AM	101.27	98.14	88.32	111.00
7:01 AM - 8:00 AM	105.99	26.35	85.14	110.15
8:01 AM - 9:00 AM	72.59	2.19	54.57	90.74
9:01 AM - 10:00 AM	27.50	1.59	6.78	37.41
10:01 AM - 11:00 AM	27.14	2.86	11.77	30.05
11:01 AM - 12:00 PM	26.82	45.35	19.86	33.68
12:01 PM - 1:00 PM	0.00	48.20	29.32	35.06
1:01 PM - 2:00 PM	0.00	49.94	83.21	36.78
2:01 PM - 3:00 PM	26.76	53.22	90.17	56.91
3:01 PM - 4:00 PM	52.40	57.69	93.83	72.98
4:01 PM - 5:00 PM	59.81	24.01	98.63	115.78
5:01 PM - 6:00 PM	98.08	28.97	121.69	136.97
6:01 PM - 7:00 PM	128.03	85.93	134.38	140.33
7:01 PM - 8:00 PM	122.74	139.08	142.06	135.65
8:01 PM - 9:00 PM	112.20	139.48	131.15	127.94
9:01 PM - 10:00 PM	93.64	115.44	111.14	114.00
10:01 PM - 11:00 PM	81.91	87.46	94.51	100.83
11:01 PM - 12:00 AM	78.74	80.25	84.53	88.33

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