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Diesel Exhaust Fluid Certification License Application

Part D – Diesel Exhaust Fluid Traceability Code

API conducts audits of licensed diesel exhaust fluids (DEF). These fluids are selected in the marketplace and analyzed. Data derived from these audits are compared with information provided by the licensee for that fluid. To make the comparison, API must be able to understand when and where the fluid was manufactured.

API is not establishing a standardized trace coding procedure nor seeking proprietary data beyond the minimum necessary to conduct an effective monitoring program. API is mandating, as a requirement of licensing, that each container of licensed diesel exhaust fluid marketed be legibly date stamped and that sufficient information be provided in the licensing documents to allow API to interpret the date stamp and match the audited fluid with the licensing data for that fluid.

The format detailed below has been set up to provide a uniform method so that API can compare the product traceability code with the code for the audited fluid. Page 3 provides an example of how the form should be completed, using a hypothetical product traceability code.

Name of Company

License Number

Name of Preparer

Date

Telephone

(Include country and city codes if outside the United States and Canada)

Fax

Brand Name _____

Product Traceability Code

Insert here and down the vertical column below the alphanumeric characters that comprise your product traceability code.

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On the blank lines below, identify the meaning of the alphanumeric characters used in your product traceability code. Use the reverse side or the next page if additional space is needed.

**Characters
From Above**

Interpretation

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Product Traceability Code (Continued)

Insert here and down the vertical column below the alphanumeric characters that comprise your product traceability code.

Characters From Above	Interpretation
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Additional Information

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Product Traceability Code Example

Shown here is how a typical Product Traceability Code section is completed.

DC Diesel Exhaust Fluid

Name of Company

John Q. Public

Name of Preparer

555-555-5555

Telephone

(Include country and city codes if outside the United States and Canada)

1010

License Number

December 31, 2008

Date

555-555-5556

Fax

Brand Name DC Diesel Exhaust Fluid

Product Traceability Code

Insert here and down the vertical column below the alphanumeric characters that comprise your product traceability code. The code must include your formulation identifiers.

M	2	A	4	X	2	0	#	#						
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On the blank lines below, identify the meaning of the alphanumeric characters used in your product traceability code. Use the reverse side or the next page if additional space is needed.

Characters
From Above

Interpretation

M	Plant Location
2	Proprietary; not necessary for formulation identification
A	Proprietary; not necessary for formulation identification
4	Not relevant to this matter
X	Proprietary; not necessary for formulation identification
2	This line and next indicate day of year the DEF was manufactured
0	See above
#	Time of manufacture: 1 = a.m.; 2 = p.m.; etc.
#	Year of manufacture: 1 = 2001; 2 = 2002; etc.



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