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Overview

This department of commerce technical bill clarifies standards of storage and sale from bulk for fuel products. It provides statutory updates to a number of ASTM references for various fuel products. It also clarifies pricing rules and octane ratings.

Section

- 1** **Identical product pricing requirement.** Requires that products dispensed from a single storage tank, or from multiple tanks joined in a way that the product is commingled while still in the tank, must be priced identically at each retail dispenser from which it is offered for sale.
- 2-12 and 14** **Updates.** Updates fuel specifications to new standards established by the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM).
- 13** **Minimum octane rating.** Provides a new formula for establishing minimum octane rating grades.
- 15-16** **Disclosure.** Specifies what information must be disclosed in delivery tickets for biodiesel blends and biofuels blended with gasoline.
- 17** **E85.** Update of specification for E85.
- 18** **Effective Date.** All sections are effective the day following final enactment.