



ALBERTA

ENVIRONMENT AND PARKS

Office of the Minister

Government House Leader

MLA, Rimbey-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre

M.O. 16/2020

WHEREAS the Lieutenant Governor in Council made Order in Council 080/2020 under section 52.1(1) of the *Public Health Act* (PHA) on March 17, 2020 declaring a state of public health emergency in Alberta due to pandemic COVID-19 and the significant likelihood of pandemic influenza;

WHEREAS Order in Council 080/2020 has effect for 90 days following March 17, 2020 under section 52.8(1)(a) of the PHA;

WHEREAS section 52.1(3) of the PHA authorizes the Minister of Environment and Parks, responsible for the Renewable Fuels Standard Regulation (RFSR) (Minister), to make an order without consultation, to suspend or modify the application or operation of all or part of an enactment, subject to the terms and conditions the Minister prescribes, if the Minister is satisfied that the application or operation of all or part of the enactment is not in the public interest; and

WHEREAS I am satisfied that the application or operation of all or part of the RFSR is not in the public interest because the Government of Alberta and the Chief Medical Officer of Health have made recommendations and taken steps under the *Public Health Act* to lessen the impact of the public health emergency, and these measures may create challenges for some fuel suppliers, approved contributors, and renewable fuel providers under the RFSR to submit required reports on time; and

WHEREAS I am satisfied that the application or operation of all or part of the RFSR is not in the public interest because fuel suppliers, approved contributors, and renewable fuel providers should not be subject to potential compliance or enforcement action for being unable to meet imminent RFSR deadlines because of circumstances beyond their control caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

THEREFORE, I, Jason Nixon, Minister of Environment and Parks, pursuant to section 52.1(2) of the *Public Health Act*, do hereby order that:

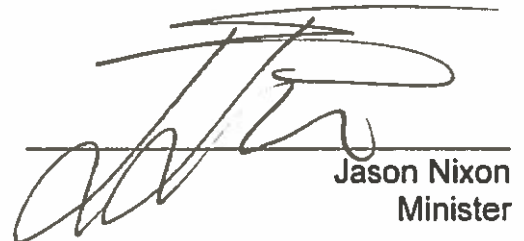
1. The operation of section 10(1) of the Renewable Fuels Standard Regulation is modified by changing the deadline for fuel suppliers to submit reports for the 2019 compliance period from March 31, 2020 to June 30, 2020.

2. The operation of section 11(1) of the Renewable Fuels Standard Regulation is modified by changing the deadline for approved contributors to submit reports for the 2019 compliance period from March 31, 2020 to June 30, 2020.
3. The operation of section 12(1) of the Renewable Fuels Standard Regulation is modified by changing the deadline for renewable fuel providers to submit reports for the 2019 compliance period from March 31, 2020 to June 30, 2020.

This Order lapses, unless it is sooner continued by an order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council under section 52.811(3) of the PHA, at the earliest of the following:

- (a) August 14, 2020;
- (b) 60 days after Order in Council 080/2020 is terminated by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, if Order in Council 080/2020 is terminated before June 15, 2020;
- (c) when this Order is terminated by the Minister under section 52.811(2) of the PHA because the Minister is satisfied that this Order is no longer in the public interest; or
- (d) when this Order is terminated by the Lieutenant Governor in Council under section 52.811(1)(c) of the PHA.

DATED at the City of Edmonton, in the Province of Alberta this 30 day of March, 2020.



Jason Nixon
Minister