

EPA – New Source Performance Standards – 2015

WHAT RETAILERS & DISTRIBUTORS NEED TO KNOW

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1. EPA only recognizes two classes of trade: manufacturers and "everyone else."* *Everywhere they, or we, use the word "retailers," it also refers to distributors.

2. Key deadline for <u>all</u> non-manufacturers is **December 31, 2015**.

3. There is a May 15, 2015 deadline, but that <u>only applies to manufacturers</u>.

4. **After December 31, 2015** only products certified may be offered for sale in your store, if they are covered by this rule. (Note: HPBA is aware of one manufacturer that is seeking clarification of this issue for <u>display stoves</u>)

5. The two methods for certification are:

- for a product to have been certified at a laboratory after May 15, 2015, the effective date of the rule, or
- for a woodstove or pellet stove to be **"deemed certified"** because they were 4.5g/h or less before the effective date. "Deemed certified" also applies to Hydronic Heaters that were recognized by EPA or NY state.

6. The December 31, 2015 deadline <u>does not apply</u> to:

- Coal only stoves note: no more wood/coal (multi-fuel) stoves
- Cookstoves as long as they meet the new definition
- Warm Air Furnaces **YET** the effective date for these appliances was extended by one year for add-ons (i.e. <65,000 BTUs/hr), and two years for larger units (i.e., ≥65,000 BTUs/hr)
- Fireplaces traditional with non-gasketed doors
- Camping stoves

7. Stoves shipped to retailers after May 15, 2015 will have new owner's manuals and catalytic stoves will have temperature probes.

8. Pellet stoves certified after May 15, 2015 will specify the grade of fuel used to test, and instruct consumers to <u>only</u> use pellets that meet that grade.

9. All stoves certified after May 15, 2015 will post efficiency numbers and CO levels in addition to grams/hour in their manuals and on their websites.

10. <u>Step 2 targets are not relevant to retailers</u>. HPBA is challenging those targets in Federal District Court and it will be many months before that issue is resolved.