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Renewable Renewal of Expiring Annual HAZMAT Registration Certificates Due by July 1, 2021

From EMA

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) online portal for annual HAZMAT registration opened May 1. Registration renewals must be completed by July 1, 2021. However, due to COVID-19 workplace restrictions and processing delays, marketers should register **online** this year and do so **early**.

Important! Due to COVID-19 workplace restrictions, processing of paper HAZMAT registration forms is likely to be significantly delayed this year. It is highly recommended that registration be conducted online to avoid interruption of operating authority. HAZMAT registration renewals made on paper forms and mailed to PHMSA will very likely not be processed in time for the July 1, 2021 registration deadline. Please do not risk interruption of operating authority. Renew online by clicking [here](#).

PHMSA requires both hazardous material transporters and those who ship hazardous materials through common carriers to register and pay a fee each year in return for a certificate of authority to operate in intrastate and/or interstate commerce. Since PHMSA allows multiyear registration, not all registration certificates are up for renewal by July 1, 2021. Marketers should look at their registration certificate for the date of renewal or search registration status at PHMSA's online portal at [registration look-up](#) to determine whether registration is due for renewal.

Click [here](#) to read the full EMA Regulatory Compliance Bulletin for more information.

Visa Offers Temporary EMV Liability Solution

From NACS

Visa said it has enabled the [Visa Transaction Advisor \(VTA\)](#) to help protect fuel retailers who have not yet upgraded their pumps to EMV compliance standards. The service is available at no charge to gas stations and convenience stores for one year as of April 17, 2021.

The VTA system uses extensive transaction data from Visa along with risk scoring capabilities to provide real-time risk assessments. When a customer uses a Visa card at any participating automated fuel dispenser, VTA analyzes up to 500 different variables, calculates the risk of the transaction and if the risk score is too high, the customer is prompted to go inside the store to complete the transaction. Most fraudsters prefer to drive away instead of going inside.

VTA requires little or no new investment in gas station infrastructure and operates invisibly to the cardholder to ensure a positive customer experience. VTA will only apply to Visa non-EMV AFD transactions. Worldpay's FraudSight, a multilayered fraud technology, provides a comprehensive fraud solution that will encompass all card types at the pump. More information is [available online](#).



Southeast Petro-Food Expo May 20-21

The SE Petro Food Show is coming up in just a couple weeks - May 20 and 21 at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center. Show organizers have done a tremendous job in reorganizing the show after the decision was made to move from our traditional early March dates. We hope that if you have not already made plans to be in Myrtle beach you will go to sepetro.org and register today. As always we will have a hospitality night at the Sheraton Hotel after the show ends on the 20th. We hope to see you there.

Save the Date!

VPCMA 73rd Annual Meeting
September 26-28, 2021
The Marriott Virginia Beach Oceanfront
Virginia Beach, VA

Details to come!