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Your Input Needed as State Considers Ethanol Labeling Change

<u>Virginia Law</u> requires dispensers selling ethanol blends to be labeled. Since 2011, the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services has allowed two labels to meet that requirement. One says "This product contains 10 percent ethanol." The other says, "This product contains up to 10 percent ethanol." The existing guidance document from VDACS can be found here.

Recently, a member in Southwest VA underwent a routing VDACS audit, at which time the inspector stated that the "up to 10%" labels were no longer allowed. Subsequently we met with VDACS and were shown a revised guidance document that can be <u>found here</u>. I have had some informal discussions with members since, and some are concerned that the percentage of ethanol can vary from load to load and that even a small deviation below 10 percent could lead to regulatory enforcement.

In order to properly address this issue with state regulators, we would appreciate your response to the following question: **Are your supplies of ethanol based gasoline consistently at or above 10 percent ethanol content?** Please send your response to mike@vpcga.com.

Thanks for your assistance.

Homestead Reservation Deadline September 5

If you are planning on attending the Annual Meeting September 24-26, and have not made your room reservation yet, please do so prior to September 5. After that it is likely that our room block will be sold out, and our room rate of \$280 single/\$370 double will no longer be available. Click here to make Homestead reservations. We

have planned a program that will offer excellent educational sessions accompanied by several social activities. To view the full program and to register with VPCGA, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

Catterton Memorial Golf Tournament Sponsorships

We are accepting applications for sponsorships at the Catterton Memorial Golf Tournament being held September 25 at The Homestead during the 69th Annual Meeting. Sponsorships vary from tournament sponsors to various types of hole sponsorships. For more information and/or a form, click here.

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