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Topic: Reporting PGVP Vendor IDs

Question: Which Protocol Gas Verification Program (PGVP) Vendor ID should be reported to EPA when the documentation provided with a cylinder of EPA Protocol gas has two PGVP Vendor IDs?

Answer: Sometimes a certified cylinder is relabeled and marketed by a reseller (middleman) who did not actually analyze the cylinder. That reseller must provide the buyer with certain documentation required by the “EPA Traceability Protocol for Assay and Certification of Gaseous Calibration Standards”, including the name and location of the production site that analyzed and certified the cylinder according to the procedures in the EPA Traceability Protocol.

However, note that sometimes a reseller might provide two vendor IDs to the buyer (i.e., his own PGVP Vendor ID and the PGVP Vendor ID of the production site that analyzed the cylinder) along with the required cylinder documentation. If so, be sure to report the PGVP Vendor ID of the *production site* to EPA, not the PGVP Vendor ID of the reseller. If the reseller only provides his own vendor ID, the Part 75 affected source should consult <http://www.epa.gov/airmarkets/emissions/pgvp-vendorID.html> to obtain the production site’s vendor ID, pursuant to § 75.21(g)(6).

References: Section 72.2 definition of “EPA Protocol Gas Production Site”, §75.21(g)(6), § 75.59(a)(9)(x), and § 2.1.4 of the “EPA Traceability Protocol for Assay and Certification of Gaseous Calibration Standards”.

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