

## CARB Special Advisory 405-C, Over Pressure Alarms

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In response to California Air Resources Board (CARB) Special Advisory 405-C, Franklin Fueling Systems has issued a standard Gasoline Dispensing Facility (GDF) Operator Certification number that should be used to reset and clear alarms on INCON™ T5 Series tank gauges with Vapor Recovery Monitoring (VRM) and TS-EMS consoles per this special advisory.

**Important!:** Any alarm other than an over pressure alarm listed in Table 1 of the CARB Advisory 405-C should NOT be cleared by a GDF owner or operator, and a certified service provider MUST be called.

It is imperative that the rules are followed as outlined in Special Advisory 405-C. An overview of these rules are also listed below in this bulletin. Failure to abide by these rules could result in penalties by the district. Please refer to the Special Advisory 405-C document on CARB's website at the following link:

<http://www.arb.ca.gov/vapor/advisories/adv405c.pdf>

All GDF owners and operators should contact their Air District(s) to learn about all local requirements. It is imperative that the GDF owners and operators comply with district rules and requirements. It is possible that some districts may not be participating with the CARB Advisory 405-C recommended ISD enforcement policy. It is also likely that different district's will have different requirements for implementing this ISD enforcement policy.

## Overview of Special Advisory 405-C

### How to Respond to Over Pressure (OP) Alarms in the Winter

This advisory was implemented to help reduce the cost of repetitive service calls that reveal no correctable cause of the failure (the service provider cannot identify associated equipment failures) from November 1 to March 31.

- Only valid during the winter fuel season

Date Range	Required Response to Over Pressure Alarms
Nov. 1 to Mar. 31	No service or equipment testing is required prior to clearing over pressure alarms.
Apr. 1 to Oct. 31	Prescribed equipment testing is required prior to clearing over pressure alarms.

\* **Important** – this is for over-pressure alarms indicated in Table 1 of the CARB Special Advisory Number 405-C. If the warning or alarm is not listed in Table 1, a certified service provider should be called.

### Proper Documentation

Over Pressure Alarms that occur after March 31 will require service calls and equipment testing if the alarm is still active 48 hours after the first appearance of the alarm (refer to Special Advisory 405-C)

As required by district regulations and permit conditions, both the service provider and GDF operator should:

- Maintain a written record of all the ISD Alarms
- Keep records of test results, equipment inspections, and equipment maintenance and repairs.

**Failure to do so could result in enforcement actions.**

### Clearing Over Pressurization Warning Alarms

- To properly use the standard GDF Operator Certification number
- Abide by all requirements set forth in the CARB Special Advisory 405-C document
- Obtain training on the proper procedure to clear and reset overpressure related warning alarms from the service provider
- The standard GDF Operator Certification number is 6543213701.
- The service provider **will not** provide you with his personal certification number

**Note** – Proper training on clearing/resetting alarms **must** be obtained from the service provider or by attending an INCON™ training class.