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MEMORANDUM

TO: Petroleum Refiners, Marketers, and Biodiesel Suppliers

FROM: Jeff M. Witte, Secretary of Agriculture 

SUBJECT: Temporary Suspension of New Mexico's Biodiesel Mandate

In accordance with Section 57-19-28, paragraph C NMSA 1978 and in consultation with the secretary of the Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department and pursuant to regular, periodic monitoring of biodiesel supplies, infrastructure and price differentials, New Mexico Department of Agriculture (NMDA) recommends to issue a "Temporary Suspension of New Mexico's Biodiesel Mandate."

Section 57-19-29, paragraph C of the Petroleum Products Standards Act will be suspended for a period of six months effective April 16, 2023 through October 16, 2023.

The concurrence letter from Secretary Cottrell Propst with Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department is attached which details the justification for the suspension.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Mrs. Roxanne Chepsongol, Division Director for Standards and Consumer Services Division, at (575) 646-1616.

Attachment: Secretary Cottrell Propst Letter, March 31, 2023