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TO: FMA Members

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RE: PGRT Changes – TONIGHT!

Effective November 1, 2016 there are changes to the New Jersey Petroleum Gross Receipts tax.

<u>Gasoline</u> – Tax is increased by 22.6 cents/gallon. When added to the existing 4 cents/gallon this makes the total NJPGRT 26.6 gallon. The existing 10.5 NJ Motor Fuels Tax remains unchanged.

<u>Gasoline Floor Stocks Tax</u> – Anyone who holds gasoline in inventory for resale and who does not have a direct payment permit for gasoline with the NJ Division of Taxation must take inventory at the close of business (or 11:59pm if a 24 hr. location). The <u>inventory report</u> on inventory must be filed by December 15, 2016. <u>The tax return must be filed and tax paid</u> by February 1, 2017. The return will take into account the allowable dead storage which is 200g for a tank less than 10,000g and 400g for tanks 10,000g or more.

Diesel – No changes until January 1, 2017.

<u>Commercial Heating Oil/Off Road Diesel</u> – PGRT no longer applicable. Anyone holding fuel which was previously assessed the PPGRT and is in inventory on November 1, 2016 can file <u>Form PPT-20</u> with the Division of Taxation for a refund of the 4 cents a gallon. To claim the refund:

- Record the gallons in inventory on November 1, 2016 in Column A, #8 Other.
- Then in Explanation of Refund describe what the fuel was used for and then write, "As of November 1, 2016 this use was no longer taxable under the NJ PPGRT and the tax had previously been paid."
- Provide a copy of the invoice showing that tax was paid on the fuel.

<u>Marinas</u> – Sell gasoline and clear diesel to marinas PGRT included. Sell dyed diesel tax-free and marina will remit for use in pleasure boats. *FMA anticipates further changes to boats soon.

<u>School Buses</u> – School buses operated by a school board are exempt from the PGRT whereas school buses operated by a private bus company on behalf of a school board pays the PGRT. Legislation has been introduced to exempt all school buses from the PGRT. ***FMA anticipates further changes to buses soon.**

Other Petroleum Products – Rate increases from 2.75% to 7%.