



## **RGGI CO<sub>2</sub> Budget Trading Programs CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions Reporting**

The deadline for reporting CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2009 under the RGGI CO<sub>2</sub> Budget Trading Programs was January 30, 2010.

RGGI CO<sub>2</sub> budget sources (compliance entities) have 30 days following the end of each quarter to report CO<sub>2</sub> emissions to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA). CO<sub>2</sub> emissions data is processed by U.S. EPA and then transferred to the RGGI CO<sub>2</sub> Allowance Tracking System (RGGI-COATS) for review by the RGGI Participating States. Emissions data is released to RGGI-COATS as it is processed by U.S. EPA. Data reported to RGGI-COATS is preliminary subject to revision arising from quality assurance and quality control review and resolution of technical reporting issues.

Quarterly reported CO<sub>2</sub> emissions data is the basis for program compliance, which occurs at the end of each three-year control period, as specified in each state's CO<sub>2</sub> Budget Trading Program regulations. Compliance entities must hold CO<sub>2</sub> allowances equal to their CO<sub>2</sub> emissions to demonstrate compliance at the end of each three-year control period. The first three-year control period began on January 1, 2009 and extends through December 31, 2011.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions data is reported to the U.S. EPA Clean Air Markets Division (CAMD) database pursuant to state CO<sub>2</sub> Budget Trading Program regulations and U.S. EPA regulations at 40 CFR Part 75. For more information on U.S. EPA's emissions reporting requirements, please see the U.S. EPA CAMD website at: <http://camddataandmaps.epa.gov/gdm/> and the Plain English Guide to the Part 75 Rule, available at: [www.epa.gov/airmarkt/emissions/docs/plain\\_english\\_guide\\_par75\\_final\\_rule.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/airmarkt/emissions/docs/plain_english_guide_par75_final_rule.pdf)