

Call for Credits to be Pledged for Sale in the LCFS Credit Clearance Market (Deadline for Pledging Credits is April 30, 2025)

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The California Air Resources Board (CARB) hereby issues a call for credits to be pledged for sale in the Credit Clearance Market (CCM) to all Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS) regulated entities and credit generators pursuant to the LCFS regulation.¹ The maximum price set for credits to be sold in the 2025 CCM for the 2024 compliance period is \$268.90 per LCFS credit.

The LCFS regulation requires that the maximum price for credits in the CCM be adjusted by a Consumer Price Index (CPI) deflator in all years subsequent to 2016. The CPI deflator used to calculate the maximum price for the 2025 CCM is 2.82 percent. It is based on the most recently available twelve months of the CPI for All Urban Consumers published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics in March 2025.²

Regulated entities and credit generators pledging credits for sale into the CCM must report the amount of credits being committed for this purpose (see instructions below) to CARB in their Annual Compliance Report (due April 30, 2025). The amount of credits pledged will be withheld from sale in the regular ongoing LCFS credit market until CARB determines whether a CCM will occur this year.

ELIGIBILITY

Only regulated entities and credit generators that demonstrated compliance for year 2024 pursuant to section 95485(a) of the LCFS regulation can pledge credits for sale into the 2025 CCM.

TIMELINE

CARB will announce whether a 2025 CCM will occur by May 15, 2025. If a CCM does occur, the EO will post additional market information on the LCFS website on or before June 1, 2025.

If a CCM does not occur this year, all pledged credits will be released back into the appropriate accounts and again be available for transfer in the ongoing LCFS credit market.

¹ California Code of Regulations, Title 17, section 95485(c)(3)(A)

² https://www.bls.gov/news.release/cpi.nr0.htm

If the CCM will occur then:

- 1. On or before June 1, 2025, CARB will post on the LCFS website the name of each entity that did not meet its compliance demonstration requirement for 2024 and the number of credits that each entity is obligated to acquire as their pro-rata share; and
- 2. On or before June 1, 2025, CARB will post on the LCFS website the name of each entity that has pledged credits to be sold in the CCM and the number of credits pledged by each entity.
- 3. From June 1 to August 30, 2025, a regulated entity subject to section 95485(c)(1) must acquire credits pledged in the CCM to be retired toward compliance in 2024.

HOW TO PLEDGE CCM CREDITS

Credits can be designated for sale in the CCM as part of the 2024 Annual Compliance Report submittal in the LRT-CBTS by following the steps 1-4 below:

Step 1. Select LCFS Reports in the LRT-CBTS



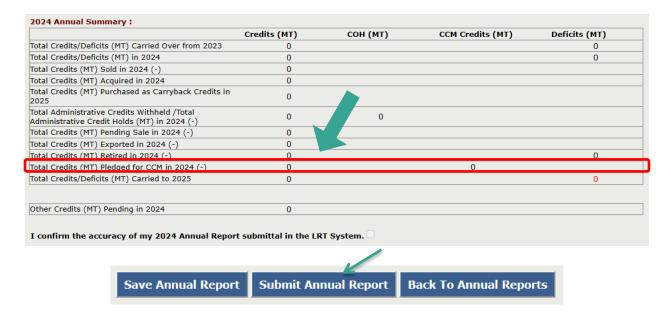
Step 2. Click the **View Annual Reports** button

View Annual Reports

Step 3. Select Go to Annual Reports for 2024 report



Step 4. Enter the number of credits to be pledged and submit the Annual Report.



REFERENCE DOCUMENT

LCFS Regulation (Eff. Date 7/1/2020):

https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/sites/default/files/2020-07/2020_lcfs_fro_oal-approved_unofficial_06302020.pdf