

Turkey Widens Obligations for Adding National Markers to Fuel

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Turkey's Energy Market Regulatory Authority has extended its requirements to apply protection measures when adding national markers to fuel. Under the change, all fuel producers holding processing licenses must now implement these protection measures. Also, waste processing license holders will now be provided with auditing devices to check that sufficient national markers exist in fuels.

National marker protection measures extended

The Regulation to Amend the Regulation on National Marker Practice in Oil Market ("**Amendment Regulation**") was published in Official Gazette number 30335 on 17 February 2018.

Under the Amendment Regulation, all fuel producers with processing licenses must now apply protection measures during injection of national markers. Previously, the obligation only applied to biodiesel producers and storage licence holders which were subject to national marker injection in their facilities.

Accordingly, all fuel producers which hold processing licences must now:

- Ensure the injection devices for national markers comply with the related technical regulations and provide security for operations.
- Take necessary measures to protect the environment and human life during injection of national markers. Include injection devices and national marker injection points in their licence.
- Take all measures to secure injection devices from outside intervention.

Auditing devices for waste processing license holders

The Energy Market Regulatory Board ("**Board**") also amended decision number 5605-2 dated 21 May 2015, regarding control devices for national markers. The amendment decree was published in Official Gazette number 30335 on 17 February 2018 ("**Amendment Decree**").

Under the Amendment Decree, waste processing license holders will now be provided with auditing devices, to check that sufficient national markers exist in fuels.

The full text of the Amendment Regulation can be found [here](#) and the full text of the Amendment Decree can be found [here](#) (only available in Turkish).

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