

40 C.F.R. § 80.160

RNG importers, foreign biogas producers, and foreign RNG producers.

- (a) *Applicability.* The provisions of this section apply to any RNG importer or any foreign party subject to requirements of this subpart outside the United States.
- (b) *General requirements*. Any foreign party must meet all the following requirements:
- (1) Letter from RCO. The foreign party must provide a letter signed by the RCO that commits the foreign party to the applicable provisions specified in paragraphs (b)(4) and (c) of this section as part of their registration under § 80.135.
- (2) Bond posting. A foreign party that generates RINs must meet the bond requirements of § 80.1466(h).
- (3) Foreign RIN owners. A foreign party that owns RINs must meet the requirements of § 80.1467, including any foreign party that separates or retires RINs under § 80.125.
- (4) Foreign party commitments. Any foreign party must commit to the following provisions as a condition of being registered as a foreign party under this subpart:
- (i) Any EPA inspector or auditor must be given full, complete, and immediate access to conduct inspections and audits of all facilities subject to this subpart.
- (A) Inspections and audits may be either announced in advance by EPA, or unannounced.
- (B) Access will be provided to any location where:
- (1) Biogas, RNG, biointermediate, or biogas-derived renewable fuel is produced.
- (2) Documents related to the foreign party operations are kept.
- (3) Any product subject to this subpart (*e.g.*, biogas, RNG, biointermediates, or biogas-derived renewable fuel) that is stored or transported outside the United States between the foreign party's facility and the point of importation into the United States, including storage tanks, vessels, and pipelines.
- (C) EPA inspectors and auditors may be EPA employees or contractors to EPA.
- (D) Any documents requested that are related to matters covered by inspections and audits must be provided to an EPA inspector or auditor on request.
- (E) Inspections and audits may include review and copying of any documents related to the following:
- (1) The volume or properties of any product subject to this subpart produced or delivered to a renewable fuel production facility.

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