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In response to the FY2008 [Consolidated Appropriations Act](#) (H.R. 2764; Public Law 110–161), EPA has issued the Mandatory Reporting of Greenhouse Gases Rule. The rule requires reporting of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from large sources and suppliers in the United States, and is intended to collect accurate and timely emissions data to inform future policy decisions.

Under the rule, suppliers of fossil fuels or industrial greenhouse gases, manufacturers of vehicles and engines, and facilities that emit 25,000 metric tons or more per year of GHG emissions are required to submit annual reports to EPA. The gases covered by the proposed rule are carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), methane (CH<sub>4</sub>), nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O), hydrofluorocarbons (HFC), perfluorocarbons (PFC), sulfur hexafluoride (SF<sub>6</sub>), and other fluorinated gases including nitrogen trifluoride (NF<sub>3</sub>) and hydrofluorinated ethers (HFE).

The final rule was signed by the Administrator on September 22, 2009. On October 30, 2009, the final rule was published in the *Federal Register* ([www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)) under Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2008-0508-2278. The rule became effective December 29, 2009. This action includes final reporting requirements for 31 of the 42 emission sources listed in the proposal. EPA plans to finalize additional source categories listed in the proposal in 2010.

EPA's new reporting system will provide a better understanding of where GHGs are coming from and will guide development of the best possible policies and programs to reduce emissions.

This comprehensive, nationwide emissions data will help in the fight against climate change.

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