Release Notes for EMTS v9.1

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Introduction

The EPA Moderated Transaction System (EMTS) version 9.1 includes new functionality in support of the Biogas Regulatory Reform Rule (BRRR). BRRR requires parties that produce biogas, renewable natural gas (RNG), or renewable compressed natural gas (CNG) and renewable liquified natural gas (LNG) report specific information related to biogas production and use under the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) program. EPA uses EMTS to track and report biogas batch production and the production of RNG, CNG, and LNG.

The EMTS XML schema has been modified in v3.6 to add Biogas Retire Transaction Details and Supporting information, is available at Submission Schema for RIN and Credit Transactions in the EPA Moderated Transaction System (EMTS) | US EPA.

An updated Excel Reporting Template can be found here: Template for Converting MS Excel Files to XML in the EPA Moderated Transaction System (EMTS) | US EPA.

For additional information about EMTS functionality, refer to the EMTS User's Guide here: User's Guide for the EPA Moderated Transaction System (EMTS) | US EPA or contact EMTS Technical Support at fuelsprogramsupport@epa.gov.

Enhanced functionality is now available for Renewable Fuel Producers to specify biogas batches used in the Generation of RINS via the web app or XML submission.

- The Advanced Biogas Batch Selection screen has been added to the Generate Biogas RINs workflow, where users now have the option to specify biogas token batches to use when Generating RINs. Alternatively, XML users may submit Advanced Batch Selection criteria in their submissions to EMTS.

New functionality is now available for users to retire biogas tokens using Alternate Retirement Reason codes and includes the option to specify biogas batches to be used in such Retire transactions, either via the web app or XML submission.

- Users can now retire biogas tokens using alternate reason codes:
  - New Alternate Retirement Reason Codes: Physical Loss and Invalid Token
- The Advanced Biogas Batch Selection screen has been added to the Retire Biogas Tokens workflow, where users now have the option to specify biogas token batches to use when Retiring tokens for alternate reason codes.
- For Web users, Retire Biogas Transactions may be removed from the Transaction Bin and users can view details of those transactions in the Transaction Bin.
- The Copy of Record report includes Biogas Retire Transactions.

The Excel Reporting Template has been updated to add the following transaction types:

- Biogas Generate Transactions
- Biogas Buy Transactions
- Biogas Sell Transactions
- Biogas Retire Transactions