# Aireco. HFC REGULATIONS FACT SHEET

Your Guide to Federal and State HFC Regulations in North America for HVACR Refrigerants

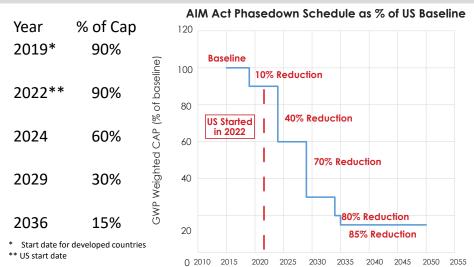
## FEDERAL HFC LEGISLATION: AIM Act

- The American Innovation & Manufacturing Act was passed in late December 2020.
- The AIM Act mirrors the international Kigali HFC phase down schedule and established a cap on the quantity of HFCs that can be produced or imported in the US starting January 1, 2022.
- EPA issued allocations, similar to the HCFC allocation system, to individual companies that produce or import HFCs. Allocations are NOT refrigerant specific. They are based on the CO2 equivalency of the global warming potential of HFC refrigerants.
- The AIM Act also provides for sector based controls that gives EPA the authority to restrict what refrigerants can be used in specific applications.
- The AIM Act DOES NOT affect the servicing of the installed base of equipment.
- Good refrigerant management will be key for the industry to maintain the appropriate balance of supply to demand for both servicing and new equipment.



IMPORTANT: The Aim Act DOES NOT place or require limits on the servicing of installed equipment

### HFC Phasedown Schedule (NOT phaseout)



Higher GWP Refrigerants will be under pressure to be switched to a lower GWP refrigerant

- New refrigerants will enter the market
- System architectures will change

### STATE REGS: SNAP 20 & 21 STATE BY STATE

Adopted definition of "NEW" that impacts servicing

> Red = US Climate Alliance States

Did <u>not</u> adopt

definition of

NEW that

impacts

servicing

Yellow & Blue = adopted SNAP 20 & 21 as State law



#### Affects NEW Equipment & Refrigerant Retrofit in:

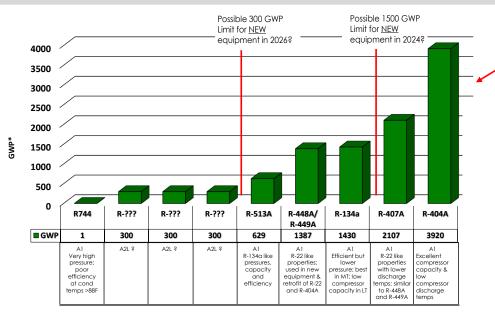
- » Supermarket systems
- Remote Condensing Units
- Stand-alone Units
- Food processing/dispensing Cold Storage Warehouses
- Cold storage wc

In the absence of federal regulations and the reversal of the SNAP 20 & 21 restrictions, individual states adopted the SNAP restriction as state law. For more information, go to www.uri.com & click on the Refrigerant Regulatory Updates link for a summary of each state and the definition of 'new'.

### Likely NEW Equipment Transitions to Lower/Low GWP Refrigerants



### Global Warming Potential (GWP) – Refrigeration



### <u>REFRIGERATION :</u> Transitioning from HCFCs to HFCs

pressure

capacity

charge limits

Higher GWP

HFCs Will Be

Available for

Service

Considerations below 1300 GWP:

temperature glide

energy efficiency flammability



### REFRIGERATION: R-404A & R-507 SYSTEMS - What to do now

