



Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS) Implementation Series #4

The New Year has arrived and sometime in the next month, the long awaited LCFS proposed amendments should be available for review. Within these amendments is the addition of a verification program which Christianson has been following with intentions to offer verification services.

This is the fourth in a series of updates that Christianson will be providing on the current status of the regulation. If you missed the previous newsletters, you can find them on our website [here](#).

As the proposed regulations have been developed over the last year and a half, we have started to see more detail of the verification structure. With what we currently know through discussions and webinars with CARB, the verification procedures will highly resemble a financial statement audit. A couple of things to keep in mind:

- The verification will require the auditor to understand your internal control processes
- The verification will be risk based and involve a materiality
- The verification will require sample plans and detailed review of support documentation
- The auditor will give an opinion in the report. There are three opinions available to the auditor:
 - Positive Statement - comparable to unqualified audit opinion – reasonable assurance that the data is free of material misstatement
 - Qualified Positive – reasonable assurance that the data is free of material misstatement and includes no correctable errors, but may include minor non-conformances
 - Adverse – comparable to qualified audit opinion – cannot say there is reasonable assurance that the data is free of material misstatement.

Be on the lookout for more information on the proposed rule. We expect the proposal to be released by the end of the month at which time we will be in contact with additional information. If you have any questions please respond to this email or contact [Kari Buttenhoff](#) at [320-235-5937](tel:320-235-5937).

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