

(a) For the purpose of this law all gasoline and special fuels sold or offered or exposed for sale shall be subject to inspection and analysis as hereinafter provided. All motor fuel wholesalers, diesel fuel sellers, heating oil distributors, manufacturers, refiners, jobbers and retail service station dealer before selling or offering for sale any gasoline; other motor vehicle fuels, or special fuels under whatever name designated for power and heating purposes shall file with the Comptroller of the Treasury a declaration or statement that they desire to sell such products in this State and shall furnish the name, brand or trademark of the products which they desire to sell together with the name and address of the supplier thereof and that all such products are in conformity with the specifications established by the Comptroller of the Treasury, as purchased from the supplier and he will make no alteration to any such product received from the supplier.

(b) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (I) OF THIS SECTION, [after] AFTER July 1, 1974, no producer or refiner of petroleum products shall open a major brand, secondary brand or unbranded retail service station in the State of Maryland, and operate it with company personnel, a subsidiary company, commissioned agent, or under a contract with any person, firm, or corporation, managing a service station on a fee arrangement with the producer or refiner. The station must be operated by a retail service station dealer.

(c) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (I) OF THIS SECTION, [After] AFTER July 1, 1975, no producer or refiner of petroleum products shall operate a major brand, secondary brand, or unbranded retail service station in the State of Maryland, with company personnel, a subsidiary company, commissioned agent, or under a contract with any person, firm, or corporation managing a service station on a fee arrangement with the producer or refiner. The station must be operated by a retail service station dealer.

(d) Every producer, refiner, or wholesaler of petroleum products supplying gasoline and special fuels to retail service station dealers shall extend all voluntary allowances uniformly to all retail service station dealers supplied.

(e) Every producer, refiner, or wholesaler of petroleum products supplying gasoline and special fuels to retail service station dealers shall apply all equipment rentals uniformly to all retail service station dealers supplied.

(f) Every producer, refiner or wholesaler of petroleum products shall apportion uniformly all gasoline and special fuels to all retail service station dealers during periods of shortages on an equitable basis, and shall not discriminate among the dealers in their allotments.