



DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
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OFFICE OF FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL

Venezuela Sanctions Regulations
31 CFR part 591

GENERAL LICENSE NO. 47B

Authorizing the Sale of U.S.-Origin Diluents to Venezuela

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this general license, all transactions prohibited by the Venezuela Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 591 (the VSR), including those involving the Government of Venezuela, Petróleos de Venezuela, S.A. (PdVSA), or any entity in which PdVSA owns, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest (collectively, “PdVSA Entities”), that are ordinarily incident and necessary to the exportation, reexportation, sale, resale, supply, storage, marketing, delivery, or transportation of U.S.-origin diluents to Venezuela are authorized, provided that any contract for such transactions with the Government of Venezuela, PdVSA, or PdVSA Entities shall require that dispute resolution proceedings relating to the contract occur in the United States, the United Kingdom, France, or Singapore.

Note 1 to Paragraph (a). Transactions authorized by paragraph (a) include processing of payments, arranging shipping and logistics services, including chartering vessels, obtaining marine insurance and protection and indemnity (P&I) coverage, and arranging port and terminal services, including with port authorities or terminal operators that are part of the Government of Venezuela.

(b) This general license does not authorize:

(1) Payment terms that are not commercially reasonable, involve debt swaps or payments in gold, or are denominated in digital currency, digital coin, or digital tokens issued by, for, or on behalf of the Government of Venezuela, including the petro;

(2) Any transaction involving a person located in or organized under the laws of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, the Republic of Cuba, or any entity that is owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by or in a joint venture with such persons;

(3) The unblocking of any property blocked pursuant to the VSR, except as provided in paragraph (a); or

(4) Any transaction involving a blocked vessel.

(c) Any person that exports, reexports, sells, resells, or supplies U.S.-origin diluents to Venezuela pursuant to this general license must provide a detailed report to

Sanctions_inbox@state.gov and VZReporting@doe.gov that identifies, for each of these transactions:

- (1) The parties involved;
- (2) The quantities and values; and
- (3) The dates the transactions occurred.

(d) Reports described in paragraph (c) are due ten days after the execution of the first of such transactions and every 90 days thereafter while such transactions are ongoing.

(e) Effective August 27, 2026, General License No. 47A, dated June 10, 2026, is replaced and superseded in its entirety by this General License No. 47B.

Note to General License No. 47B. Nothing in this general license relieves any person from compliance with the requirements of other Federal agencies, including the Department of Commerce's Bureau of Industry and Security.

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