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We show that the equation  $\operatorname{div} v = F$  has a solution  $v$  in the space of continuous vector fields vanishing at infinity if and only if  $F$  acts linearly on  $BV_{\frac{m}{m-1}}(\mathbb{R}^m)$  (the space of functions in  $L^{\frac{m}{m-1}}(\mathbb{R}^m)$  whose distributional gradient is a vector valued measure) and satisfies the following continuity condition:  $F(u_j)$  converges to zero for each sequence  $\{u_j\}$  such that the measure norms of  $\nabla u_j$  are uniformly bounded and  $u_j \rightharpoonup 0$  weakly in  $L^{\frac{m}{m-1}}(\mathbb{R}^m)$ . In this talk we will also discuss the solvability of the equation in other spaces of vector fields. (Received January 14, 2010)