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I have extreme concerns as a small business owner the impacts of the proposed reporting of emissions will have. Most small businesses do not not have the technical expertise that is needed to properly report information that will be required. It will be costly in time and dollars to report and to what good will it do. Just creating more paperwork does not solve anything.

A more financially sound method to implement clean air standards is to place sound and proven measures on new facilities or when major refurbishment/expansion is done on existing facilities. Let older facilities be grandfathered in, as refurbishment of them can be costly if even feasible. Forcing regulations on small businesses is not right when they are a significant driver of the economy and is unfair target. Why not force all older pre smog era cars off the road? That will do more for air quality, but ARB won't because the "people" that own these cars could not afford newer smog compliant cars. It's the same for many small businesses.

If there is going to be mandated shut down or refurbishment of facilities, will there be any financial assistance from the state? There should be since the premise of clean air is its supposed to benefit all people. By forcing a facility to shut down because it is deemed non-compliant, even though it was in compliance when it was built/permitted is a taking of a "property right" of sorts. Is California willing to pay, for this loss of income or business, as if it was a condemnation of property which it would essentially? California should be helping to promote business which provides jobs and taxes to the state, not regulating them out of business.

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