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TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

DATE: July 6, 2017

SUBJECT: PUBLIC WORKSHOPS TO DISCUSS CALIFORNIA'S RACING VEHICLE DEFINITION

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) invites you to participate in a public workshop to discuss concepts for a regulatory revision intended to clarify California's racing vehicle definition. Pursuant to California law, racing vehicles, defined as competition vehicles not used on public highways, are exempt from emissions control requirements (Health & Safety Code §§ 39048 and 43001). What counts as a racing or competition vehicle is unclear, which leads to misuse of the racing vehicle exemption. Evidence shows racing vehicles and certified vehicles modified with racing aftermarket parts are often used for non-racing and non-competition purposes. This undermines CARB's emissions certification programs designed to provide emissions reductions to meet air quality standards and protect public health, and also creates an unfair business environment for compliant vehicle, engine, and parts manufacturers.

CARB is initiating a public process to work with manufacturers, wholesalers, retailers, and consumers in an effort to clarify California's racing vehicle definition. All parties utilizing this exemption, which applies to categories including, but not limited to, on- and off-road vehicles and engines, aftermarket parts, and fuels are encouraged to attend.

Workshops will be held in the two locations indicated below. Staff will share the same presentation at both workshop locations and answer questions.

Date:	July 19, 2017	July 20, 2017
Time:	1:00-3:00 PM PST	1:00-3:00 PM PST
Location:	<b>NORTHERN CALIFORNIA</b> California Air Resources Board Sierra Hearing Room 1001 I Street Sacramento, CA 95814	<b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA</b> California Air Resources Board Auditorium, Annex 4 9530 Telstar Avenue El Monte, CA 91731

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Additionally, for those who are unable to attend in person, the Northern California workshop will be webcast live. Please visit the following link to join the live webcast:  
<https://video.calepa.ca.gov/>

The workshop agenda, directions, parking information, and an electronic copy of the staff presentation will be posted by July 17, 2017 on CARB's website at:  
<https://www.arb.ca.gov/enf/racingvehicles/racingvehicles.htm>

Special Accommodations

The workshop locations are accessible to persons with disabilities. If you need special accommodations or have language needs, please contact Kathy Walton at (916) 229-0736, as soon as possible. TTY/TDD Speech-to-Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.

We look forward to your participation. If you have questions regarding the workshop, please contact Jeremiah Bearden at (916) 229-0549 or via email at [RacingVehicles@arb.ca.gov](mailto:RacingVehicles@arb.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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