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Mr. Seyed Sadredin
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Dear Mr. Sadredin:

Thank you for your March 26, 2006 letter providing a "Response and Action Plan" to address opportunities for improvement identified in our program evaluation for the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District. I would also like to commend you for sharing both documents with your Governing Board on March 16, 2006.

We appreciate that the District has addressed most of our recommendations. Particularly noteworthy is your intent to streamline and improve inspection and permitting procedures, to institute a system so that coatings can be sampled and shipped to laboratories for analysis, to allocate additional resources and improve operations relative to inspecting gasoline dispensing facilities, and your commitment to more fully review cost effectiveness and other issues related to best available control technology determinations. The District's proactive stance will help to improve air quality in the San Joaquin Valley. However, as you noted, there are still some areas where the District is not in full agreement with our recommendations. My staff is reviewing your comments in those areas and will follow up with your program managers to further understand these issues. We plan to memorialize those discussions and send them to you under separate cover by May 19, 2006.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (916) 445-4383 or Bob Fletcher, Chief, Stationary Source Division, at (916) 324-8167.

Sincerely,

Catherine Witherspoon
Executive Officer

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: <http://www.arb.ca.gov>.

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