February 17, 2009

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Air Resources Board (ARB) is requesting your participation in a survey of the oil and natural gas sector. This sector includes oil and gas extraction, processing, storage, and crude oil pipelines. The purpose of this survey is to improve our current estimate of greenhouse gas emissions in California. Gathering this information is part of our responsibilities under AB 32, the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (California Health and Safety Code section 38500 to 38599). Due to the wide range of operations in this sector, your participation is important to help us make accurate estimates.

We have designed the enclosed survey in a table format. We will also accept electronic data transfers and have included both Microsoft Excel and Access templates on the enclosed compact disc for your convenience. Please see the enclosed instructions for assistance and to locate staff who can answer specific questions.

Pursuant to California state law, completion and submittal of this survey is a mandatory requirement. The information being requested is for use by the ARB to develop a baseline greenhouse gas emissions inventory. This request for information is made pursuant to sections 39607, 39701, and 41511 of the California Health and Safety Code, and Title 17, California Code of Regulations, section 91100. These sections authorize the ARB to require the submission of information needed to estimate atmospheric emissions and to carry out its other statutory responsibilities.

All data will be protected as confidential in accordance with Title 17, California Code of Regulations, section 91000 to 91022 and the California Public Records Act (Government Code section 6250 et seq.).

We appreciate your participation and are available to provide assistance. Please submit the completed survey or electronic data transfers by April 30, 2009.

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.
For general questions, please contact Joseph Fischer at (916) 445-0071 or via e-mail at joseph.fischer@arb.ca.gov. For additional information, or to sign up for our automatic e-mail notification system, please visit http://www.arb.ca.gov/oil-gas/oil-gas.htm.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures