



Bay Planning Coalition



June 10, 2010

Hon. Mary Nichols, Chairman
California Air Resources Board
1001 "I" Street
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RE: Proposition 1B Allocation to the Bay Area AQMD for Port Shore Power

Dear Chair Nichols and Members of the Board:

It is imperative that CARB grant the Bay Area Air Quality Management District the complete \$38 million requested for shore power infrastructure at the Port of Oakland. This funding is critical if the Port is to successfully meet both its proprietary imperative of maintaining competitiveness and driving a significant portion of the California economic growth while simultaneously reducing air emissions and improving air quality.

As you are well aware, the application you received tracks all of the requirements of the revised CARB Guidelines for distributing 1B funds. And as CARB staff has acknowledged, it is imperative that as many 1B funds be frontloaded to the support of cold-ironing infrastructure as possible. With that in mind, we ask you to place the Port of Oakland on equal footing with its sister ports in Southern California which will receive 100% of their grant request funding in the Phase 1 Allocation as recommended by staff.

We are proud to support the Bay Area AQMD's application and implore you to do the right thing and fully fund the requested Phase 1 Allocation as requested by the Port.

Sincerely,

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