



December 10, 2008

Mary Nichols
Chair, California Air Resource Board
Sacramento, California

**Subject: Documents to include in CEQA and Regulatory Proceeding on
Proposed Scoping Plan**

Dear Chairwoman Nichols:

Included on this CD are several articles and reports which highlight the significant issues associated with relying upon a trading program and international offsets as well as the advantages of using a carbon fee to address climate change. Despite a clear and direct requirement in the statute, §§38561(b)-(e), ARB has failed to take seriously these and other clearly relevant lessons learned from existing efforts to “cap and trade” carbon emissions. Further, ARB has failed in its CEQA analysis to undertake a legally adequate alternatives analyses that presents and describes the use of carbon fees as a central policy approach to addressing greenhouse gas emissions.

Sincerely,

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