

State of California
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

**APPOINTMENT OF A NEW MEMBER TO THE
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Resolution 13-31

June 27, 2013

Agenda Item No.: 13-6-3

WHEREAS, sections 39600 and 39601 of the Health and Safety Code authorize the Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) to adopt standards, rules and regulations and to do such acts as may be necessary for the proper execution of the powers and duties granted to and imposed upon the Board by law;

WHEREAS, the Legislature has adopted and the Governor has signed Assembly Bill 32, the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (Act), which designates the Board as the State agency charged with monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases that cause global warming;

WHEREAS, the Act further directs the Board to adopt rules and regulations in an open public process to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective greenhouse gas emission reductions;

WHEREAS, section 38561(a) of the Health and Safety Code directed the Board, on or before January 1, 2009, to prepare and approve a Scoping Plan for achieving the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective reductions in greenhouse gas emissions by 2020;

WHEREAS, section 38591(a) of the Health and Safety Code directed the Board to convene an Environmental Justice Advisory Committee of at least three members by July 1, 2007, to advise the Board in developing the scoping plan of emission reduction measures (Scoping Plan) and any other pertinent matter in implementing the Act;

WHEREAS, section 38591(a) of the Health and Safety Code further directs that the Environmental Justice Advisory Committee shall be comprised of representatives from communities in the state with the most significant exposure to air pollution, including, but not limited to, communities with minority populations or low-income populations;

WHEREAS, section 38591(b) of the Health and Safety Code directs the Board to appoint the Environmental Justice Advisory Committee members from nominations received from environmental justice organizations and community groups;

WHEREAS, on January 25, 2007, the Board appointed an Environmental Justice Advisory Committee of ten members and eleven alternates, to advise the Board in developing the initial Scoping Plan;

WHEREAS, on December 12, 2008, the Board approved the 2008 Climate Change Scoping Plan (Scoping Plan), and re-approved the Scoping Plan on August 24, 2011, following consideration of the Supplement to the Functional Equivalent Document;

WHEREAS, section 38561(h) of the Health and Safety Code directs the Board to update its scoping plan at least once every five years;

WHEREAS, the Board is developing an updated 2013 Scoping Plan that focuses on strategies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and achieve co-benefits in the State, including disadvantaged communities, both in the near-term and beyond 2020;

WHEREAS, on March 21, 2013, the Board conducted a public hearing to consider reconvening the Committee to advise the Board in developing the updated 2013 Scoping Plan;

WHEREAS, at the public hearing held on March 21, 2013, the Board adopted Resolution 13-10 reconvening the Environmental Justice Committee (Committee) and appointing the individuals set forth in Attachment A to Resolution 13-10 to serve on the Committee;

WHEREAS, Resolution 13-10 delegated to the Executive Officer, and his or her designee, authority to select and appoint up to three additional Committee members from underrepresented regions of the State, including the Central Valley and the Inland Empire;

WHEREAS, on May 3, 2013, the Executive Officer signed Executive Order G-13-047, set forth in Attachment A, appointing three additional Committee members from underrepresented regions of the State, including the Central Valley and the Inland Empire;

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2013, Comite Civico Del Valle and State Assembly member V. Manuel Pérez's Chief of Staff submitted a nomination for Luis Olmedo from the Imperial County as an additional member to the Committee;

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2013, the Special Assistant to State Senator Ben Hueso also submitted a nomination for Luis Olmedo from the Imperial County as an additional member to the Committee;

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the proposed additional member of the Committee is nominated by environmental justice organizations and community groups; and

WHEREAS, the Board further finds that the proposed additional member of the Committee is a representative from a community in the State with significant exposure to air pollution or a community with a minority population or low-income population.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby appoints Luis Olmedo to serve on the Environmental Justice Advisory Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to section 38590(c) of the Health and Safety Code, the Board shall reimburse travel and per diem expenses, consistent with State travel policy, for advisory committee members from nonprofit organizations, for attendance at Environmental Justice Advisory Committee meetings.

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution 13-31, as adopted by the Air Resources Board.

/s/

Tracy Jensen, Clerk of the Board

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Identification of Attachments to the Board Resolution

Attachment A: Executive Order G-13-047