Attachment A-1

Descriptions of the proposed changes to the regulations and the reasons for making them. This discussion does not address non-substantive modifications to correct typographical or grammatical errors, changes in numbering or formatting, addition of or edits to internal regulatory cross-references, or similar revisions that improve clarity.

Proposed Modifications to Section 1961.2

1. **Subsection 1961.2 (a)(2)(D).** Two 15-day changes are being proposed for this subsection. For the first modification, a reference to a subsection of title 13, California Code of Regulations, section 1961.4 is being changed. It is necessary to change this reference because section 1961.4 is being restructured, as discussed below. Therefore, it is necessary to modify this subsection to correctly identify the intended referenced subsection of 1961.4.

Second, this subsection establishes an alternative phase-in schedule for the 1 mg/mi particulate matter (PM) standard for passenger cars, light-duty trucks, and medium-duty passenger vehicles. This alternative phase-in schedule primarily applies for model years 2025 through 2028. However, under the current regulations, a manufacturer may include vehicles that are certified to the 1 mg/mi PM standard prior to model year 2025 as part of its alternative phase-in. One of the proposed changes for the 45-day notice would have newly prohibited manufacturers from including vehicles that certify to the 1 mg/mi PM standard prior to model year 2024 from in the alternative phase-in. Staff is proposing as part of the 15-day changes to remove that restriction. This change is necessary because some manufacturers have already begun certifying 2023 model year vehicles and have included 2023 model year vehicles as part of their alternative phase-in plan.

Proposed Modifications to Sections 1965, 2037, 2038, and 2903

1. Each of these sections includes references to subsections of title 13, California Code of Regulations, section 1961.4. Since section 1961.4 has been restructured, as discussed above, it is necessary to modify these sections to correctly identify the intended referenced subsections. These references include: section 1965 (no subsection), section 2037(g), section 2038(c)(3), and section 2903 (definition of “test group.”).