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Ms. Mary Nichols, Chair
California Air Resources Board
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Dear Ms. Nichols:

The issue of climate change is a serious one that we as appointed and elected officials must take seriously. I appreciate your efforts on the monumental task of developing a plan to implement AB 32 and its stated goals of reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

With all of the options before you I would like to suggest that market based approaches be considered as an option to meet our common goals of environmental protection. Specifically cap and trade programs that meet the needs of certain businesses looking for the best way to comply without wreaking havoc on local economies and creating job losses.

European countries have instituted cap and trade programs for years with great success. I understand that there are many options before you and, as a local policy maker, I would urge that you seek the greatest flexibility in approach.

Sincerely,

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