Dear CARE Board Members:

I support the inclusion of a Clean Car Discount program—also known as a "feebates" program—in the Scoping Plan for AB 32, the Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006.

Studies show that a well-designed feebates program could reduce emissions from California cars and trucks by an additional 30 percent beyond the expected reductions from California's global warming pollution regulations for vehicles. The self-financing program provides one-time rebates and surcharges on the purchase of new cars and trucks based on each vehicle's level of global warming pollution, helping to make clean cars and trucks more affordable for all Californians.

Approximately 1.7 million new passenger cars and light-duty trucks are purchased each year in California. Even with existing laws and regulations, the bulk of global warming emissions in California continue to come from passenger vehicles.

The California Clean Car Discount is an urgently needed part of California's ground-breaking package of global warming solutions. I urge you to include a feebates program in the Scoping Plan for AB 32.