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# Air Resources Board

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Arnold Schwarzenegger  
Governor

May 19, 2008

Dear Sir or Madam:

The staff of the Air Resources Board (ARB) will hold a public meeting of the biodiesel/renewable diesel workgroup to discuss ARB's research related activities on these fuels. Discussion topics will include, but are not limited to, biodiesel characterization and oxides of nitrogen (NOx) impact study updates, NOx mitigation study, and biodiesel multimedia. We plan to have a more in-depth discussion on mitigation strategies. A draft agenda is enclosed. For more information regarding the biodiesel/renewable diesel workgroup, please visit the Alternative Diesel Program webpage at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/fuels/diesel/altdiesel/altdiesel.htm>. This webpage contains the biodiesel link where the final agenda and staff presentation will be posted.

The time and place of the public workgroup meeting are shown below:

Date: Thursday, June 19, 2008  
Time: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm  
Location: California Environmental Agency  
1001 I Street, 2nd Floor  
Sierra Hearing Room  
Sacramento, California 95814

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For your information, this workgroup meeting will be webcast. You may access the webcast at ARB's homepage, <http://www.arb.ca.gov>. To participate by teleconference dial **(888) 935-0781** and give the participant code: **6217131**, and leader name: **Robert Okamoto**. During the webcast, we will accept comments and questions sent via email to [onair@arb.ca.gov](mailto:onair@arb.ca.gov).

*The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: <http://www.arb.ca.gov>.*

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If you have suggestions for topics to be discussed, please contact Mr. Robert Okamoto, Staff Air Pollution Specialist at (916) 327-2953 or by email at [rokamoto@arb.ca.gov](mailto:rokamoto@arb.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dean C. Simeroth". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and "S".

Dean C. Simeroth, Chief  
Criteria Pollutants Branch

Enclosure

cc: Robert Okamoto, Staff APS  
Industrial Section

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Teleconference Dial-In #: **(888) 935-0781**, Participant Code: **6217131**  
Leader Name: **Robert Okamoto**

**Agenda**

- I. Introductions
- II. Update on Biodiesel Characterization and NOx impact study
  - a. Fuels
  - b. Engine/vehicle
  - c. Test protocol
  - d. Test schedule
- III. NOx Mitigation Strategies
  - a. Outline of test plan
  - b. Strategies
- IV. Biodiesel Multimedia
- V. Open Discussion