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Mr. Seyed Sadredin
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Dear Mr. Sadredin:

As you are aware, the Air Resources Board (ARB) has recently concluded a program review of the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District's (District) implementation of State-sponsored incentive programs, including the Air Quality Improvement Program (AQIP), the Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program (Carl Moyer Program), the Proposition 1B Goods Movement Emission Reduction Program (Goods Movement Program), and the Lower-Emission School Bus Program funded by Proposition 1B funds (Proposition 1B School Bus Program) and federal Diesel Emission Reductions Act funds (DERA School Bus Program). The scope of this review included grants made in fiscal years 2006-07 through 2009-10.

During the period of time covered by this program review, the District implemented one of the largest State-sponsored air quality incentive programs in California, administering over \$215 million in State grants and matching funds to reduce emissions through the purchase of:

- 1,355 engine replacements and/or retrofits through the Carl Moyer Program,
- 899 truck replacements and 22 diesel engine retrofits through the Goods Movement Program,
- 175 new school buses and 1,188 retrofits of diesel school buses through the Proposition 1B and DERA School Bus Programs, and
- 1,905 new zero-emission lawn mowers and 56 zero-emission agricultural utility vehicles in AQIP.

ARB's program review report is enclosed. Our review confirms that the District's incentive programs are efficiently and effectively achieving their emission reduction objectives. The single finding in the enclosed report identifies a condition with a

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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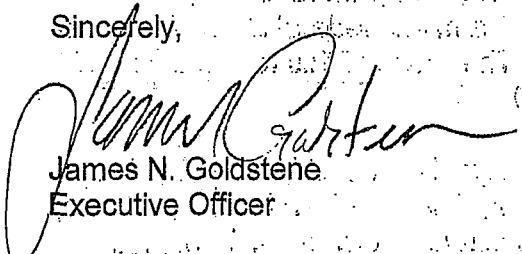
Carl Moyer Program project that the District and grantee promptly and fully remedied during the course of the review. This report also commends the District for voluntarily implementing the Proposition 1B School Bus Program for school districts in 18 other air districts in addition to implementing your own program.

Under established program review guidelines, the District has 30 days from the date of this cover letter to submit a formal response, if desired, to the enclosed Program Review Report. The report and any District responses will then be posted together on ARB's website. We encourage you to also make this information public within the District.

I want to thank you and your staff for working with us through the course of this review. The District's incentive programs contribute significant and vital air quality improvements to the San Joaquin Valley Air Basin, and the extension of your school bus efforts outside the basin has reduced children's exposure to diesel emissions throughout much of California.

If you have any questions about the report, please contact Mr. Tim Hartigan, Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 324-0202 or via email at thartiga@arb.ca.gov, or Mr. Scott Rowland, Chief, at (626) 350-6518 or via email at growland@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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