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TO: All Interested Parties

SUBJECT: PUBLIC WORKSHOPS TO DISCUSS FUTURE REVISIONS TO THE
CARL MOYER PROGRAM GUIDELINES

As part of his commitment to reduce air pollution by 50 percent, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger recently signed new legislation (SB 1107, Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review; AB 923, Firebaugh; and AB 1394, Levine) that significantly expands the scope and funding of the Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program (the Carl Moyer Program).

New Requirements: The Carl Moyer Program currently provides incentive grants to reduce smog-forming emissions from heavy-duty diesel-powered vehicles and equipment. The Air Resources Board (ARB or the Board) must revise the existing Carl Moyer Program guidelines to address the new requirements of AB 923 and AB 1394, such as:

1. Inclusion of light-duty vehicle programs, such as voluntary car scrap (Voluntary Accelerated Vehicle Retirement);
2. Inclusion of projects that reduce only reactive organic gases (ROG) or particulate matter (PM), such as PM traps;
3. Inclusion of agricultural sources such as confined animal facilities, internal combustion engines, and large federally-permitted agricultural sources of air pollution;
4. Provisions for heavy-duty fleet modernization programs; and
5. A modified formula for funding distribution.

Revision of Program Guidelines: The Carl Moyer Program guidelines provide local air quality management and air pollution control districts with a framework for administering the program and selecting grant applications. The guidelines were first adopted in 1999 and were revised in 2000 and 2003. Proposed guideline revisions that fully incorporate the new requirements are tentatively scheduled to be presented to the Board at a public hearing on November 17, 2005.

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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Interim Program Advisories: In the interim, ARB plans to provide the local air districts with Program Advisories that will allow many of the new project categories to be funded on a case-by-case basis.

Program Advisory topics will include:

1. Agricultural sources,
2. Heavy-duty fleet modernization,
3. Light-duty vehicle scrapping,
4. Projects eligible for funding with the additional \$2 Motor Vehicle surcharge, and
5. Calculation of cost effectiveness based on PM and ROG emission reductions.

Final Program Advisories for interim implementation of the new legislative mandates will be available to local air districts during January 2005.

Workshops: As part of the complete guideline revision process, staff will host a series of workshops through 2005 to allow extensive public participation. The first workshops are scheduled for the dates and locations listed below. To make the workshops accessible to the public and stakeholders, staff will hold workshops in Sacramento, El Monte, and Fresno.

Each of the initial workshops will include presentations on the new legislation, the draft Program Advisories, and selected project categories. Handouts on all topics will be available at ARB's web site at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/moyer/moyer.htm> and at each workshop. However, due to the amount of material that will be covered at the initial workshops, staff presentations will be limited to the specified topics each day. At the end of each workshop, staff will provide an open discussion period to answer questions and take suggestions and comments pertaining to the topics listed below.

DATE: Tuesday, November 30, 2004
TIME: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
TOPICS: On-Road Heavy-duty Vehicles, Off-Road Equipment, Agricultural Sources, Truck Refrigeration Units (TRUs), Auxiliary Power Units (APUs), and Light-Duty Vehicle Scrap
PLACE: California Air Resources Board
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Sacramento, California 95814

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DATE: Thursday, December 2, 2004
TIME: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
TOPICS: On-Road Heavy-duty Vehicles, Off-Road Equipment, Forklifts, Marine Vessels, Locomotives, Ground Support Equipment, and Light-Duty Vehicle Scrap
PLACE: California Air Resources Board Auditorium
9530 Telstar Avenue
El Monte, California 91731

DATE: Wednesday, December 8, 2004
TIME: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
TOPICS: On-Road Heavy-duty Vehicles, Off-Road Equipment, Agricultural Sources, Forklifts, TRUs, and APUs
PLACE: San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District
1900 East Gettysburg Avenue
Fresno, California 93726

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Sincerely,

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