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TO: All Interested Parties

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

The Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program (the Carl Moyer Program) currently provides incentive grants to reduce smog-forming emissions from heavy-duty diesel-powered vehicles and equipment. The Carl Moyer Program guidelines provide local air quality management and air pollution control districts with criteria for administering the program and selecting grant applications.

Three key pieces of legislation passed in 2004 (SB 1107, Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review; AB 923, Firebaugh; and AB 1394, Levine) have expanded the scope and funding of the Carl Moyer Program. The Air Resources Board (ARB or the Board) staff is in the process of revising the existing Carl Moyer Program guidelines to address the new requirements of the approved legislation. Proposed guideline revisions are scheduled to be presented to the Board at a public hearing on November 17, 2005.

As part of the complete guideline revision process, staff will host a series of workshops through 2005 to solicit public participation. To provide ample time for discussion, the workshops scheduled for April/May 2005 will focus on six critical issues. There will also be time at the end of the day to discuss additional topics. The staff plans to discuss the following topics:

- On-Road Heavy-Duty Vehicles
including fleet rules and diesel airborne toxic control measures (ATCMs)
- Goods Movement
including ports, locomotives, and fleet modernization
- Agricultural Projects
including non-engine agricultural projects and Agricultural Assistance Program

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- Cost-Effectiveness
including weighting factors for oxides of nitrogen (NOx), reactive organic gases (ROG), and particulate matter (PM)
- Light-Duty Incentive Programs
including scrapping and parts replacement
- Program Implementation Improvements
including engine scrapping/core recycling, accessibility to small businesses, and voucher programs
- Open discussion of other topics
comments and suggestions on all guideline categories

The staff will post an "Issues and Questions" document providing additional details to the Carl Moyer Program web site (<http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/moyer/moyer.htm>) at least one week prior to the first workshop.

Workshops will be held in three locations:

Port of Long Beach

Tuesday, April 26, 2005
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Port of Long Beach
925 Harbor Plaza
Long Beach, California 90802

Sacramento

Friday, April 29, 2005
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
California Air Resources Board
1927 13th Street
Sacramento, California 95814

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San Joaquin Valley

Note: This workshop will be held in two locations linked by video teleconferencing. ARB staff will be present at both locations.

Thursday, May 5, 2005
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District

Northern Office
4230 Kiernan Avenue, Suite 130
Modesto, California 95356

Central Office
1990 East Gettysburg Avenue
Fresno, California 93726

Workshop presentations and handouts will be available at each workshop and at the Carl Moyer Program's website at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/moyer/moyer.htm>. If you would like to receive notification by e-mail of updates to the Carl Moyer Program website, please sign up at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/listserv/moyer.htm>.

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We welcome your participation. If you have general questions regarding either the workshop or guidelines revisions, please contact Mr. Bob Nguyen, Air Resources Engineer, at (916) 327-2939 or rnguyen@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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