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TO: All Interested Parties

SUBJECT: In-Use Off-Road Diesel Vehicle Regulation Workshops

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) staff invites you to participate in a series of three public workshops to discuss ARB's proposed In-use Off-road Diesel Vehicle Regulation (Regulation). The workshops will be held in Sacramento, Los Angeles, and Fresno. At each of these workshops, ARB staff will present the following:

- proposed regulatory language
- revised emissions inventory estimates
- preliminary emissions benefits
- preliminary estimates of the cost to implement the proposed Regulation

The proposed Regulation is now scheduled to be considered by the Board at a hearing in Spring of 2007.

The workshops will be held in three locations at the following dates and times:

Sacramento	Los Angeles
Date: Monday, December 18, 2006	Date: Wednesday, December 20, 2006
Time: 10:00 am	Time: 10:00 am
Location: Air Resources Board Byron Sher Auditorium 1001 I Street Sacramento, California 95814 http://www.arb.ca.gov/maps/sactomap.htm	Location: Ronald Reagan Building Auditorium 300 South Spring Street Los Angeles, California 90013 http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/courts/courts/appeal/2ndDistrict/location.htm

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>.

California Environmental Protection Agency

Fresno

Date: Thursday, December 21, 2006

Time: 11:00 am

Location: San Joaquin Valley Unified Air
Pollution Control District
Governing Board Room
1990 East Gettysburg Avenue
Fresno, California 93726

http://www.valleyair.org/general_info/directions_fresno.htm

The proposed Regulation would reduce diesel particulate matter and other emissions from in-use off-road diesel-fueled vehicles (25 horsepower and greater engines) operating in California. It would apply to self-propelled vehicles used in construction, mining, airport ground support, and industrial operations. The proposed Regulation will not cover equipment used in agricultural operations, portable equipment, military tactical support equipment, or cargo handling equipment used at ports and intermodal rail facilities.

These workshops are the latest in a series of meetings to discuss development of the proposed Regulation. Previous workshops were held in November 2004, July 2005, and January 2006, to discuss the proposed regulation. Staff also held numerous workgroup meetings and informal meetings with interested parties over the past two years.

Over the past year, ARB staff has been working to improve our estimates of the inventory of equipment that would be affected by the proposed Regulation. Over that time, staff gathered and evaluated other sources of inventory data such as market research studies and United States Environmental Protection Agency's NONROAD model, reviewed results of a public fleet survey that was completed in 2003, conducted an off-road equipment survey that ended in February 2006, held a workgroup meeting in March 2006 focused on inventory issues, and gathered additional data from stakeholders regarding their fleets. Staff has now completed revisions to the inventory. The enclosed summary tables describe ARB staff's updated estimates of equipment population, age, emissions, and emission standard tier distribution for off-road equipment.

The proposed regulatory language, workshop agenda, workshop presentation(s), as well as any other additional material for the workshops will be posted to our email listserve and available prior to the workshop at this website address:

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<http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/ordiesel/ordiesel.htm> . The instructions on how to add your email address to the listserve are available on this webpage. For those unable to attend in person, a live internet broadcast (webcast) will be available of our Sacramento workshop. However, the workshops held in Los Angeles and Fresno will not be webcast. An email address will also be available to submit questions or comments during the Sacramento webcast. The webcast can be accessed on the day of the workshop at: http://www.arb.ca.gov/app/calendar/cal_wbcst.php .

If you have a disability-related accommodation need, please go to: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/html/ada/ada.htm>, for assistance or contact the ADA Coordinator, at (916) 323-4916. If you are a person who needs assistance in a language other than English, please go to: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/as/eeo/languageaccess.htm> or contact the Bilingual Coordinator, at (916) 324-5049.

We welcome and encourage your participation in this effort. If you have questions regarding either the workshop or the proposed Regulation, please contact Mr. Tony Brasil, Manager, at (916) 323-2927, or by email at abrasil@arb.ca.gov, or Ms. Kim Heroy-Rogalski, Staff Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 327-2200, or by email at kheroyro@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

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