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TO: All California Waste Hauler Fleets
California Refuse Removal Council
All Municipal and Utility Fleet Operators
Other Interested Parties

SUBJECT: 2009 COMPLIANCE EXTENSION FOR ALL DUAL OR BI-FUEL AND
OTHER GROUP 3 ENGINES WITH NO AVAILABLE VERIFIED DIESEL
EMISSION CONTROL STRATEGY

The Air Resources Board (ARB) is granting a 1-year blanket compliance extension for certain Group 3 vehicles subject to the Fleet Rule for Solid Waste Collection Vehicles and the Fleet Rule for Public Agencies and Utilities. This compliance extension is limited to Group 3 vehicles where a verified diesel emission control strategy (DECS) is not available and a fleet has applied a verified DECS to all remaining Group 3 vehicles where one is available. To qualify for an extension for the remaining Group 3 vehicles, the vehicle must be powered by:

- any dual or bi-fuel engine not currently retrofitted, or
- an engine with a displacement of over 15 liters and equipped with exhaust gas recirculation.

By December 31, 2009, 50 percent of both public agency and utility and solid waste collection Group 3 vehicles must apply best available control technology (BACT). BACT must be applied to all engines where DECSs are verified prior to using the above extension. A compliance extension will be provided for the remaining Group 3 vehicles that meet the above criteria through December 31, 2010.

Section 2022.1(d)(2) and section 2021.2(d)(2) allow for fleets to apply for a "Compliance Extension based on No Verified Diesel Emission Control Strategy" for other engines in their fleet that cannot be retrofitted based on technological reasons identified by a manufacturer. Again, the owner must first apply a verified DECS to all applicable engines as required before requesting an extension.

A fleet may apply for a "Compliance Extension based on No Verified Diesel Emission Control Strategy," by providing ARB the following information by July 1, 2009:

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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- (i) Identification of each engine, by vehicle identification number, engine manufacturer, model year, family, and series; and type of vehicle, for which no diesel emission control strategy has been verified, or
- (ii) Identification of each engine, by vehicle identification number, engine manufacturer, model year, family, and series; and type of vehicle, for which a specific diesel emission control strategy would jeopardize the original engine warranty and statement from engine manufacturer or authorized dealer stating original engine warranty would be jeopardized, or
- (iii) Identification of each engine and vehicle combination, by vehicle identification number; engine manufacturer, model year, family, and series; and type of vehicle, for which no diesel emission control strategy is commercially available and a list of manufacturers that have been contacted with their responses to a request to purchase, and
- (iv) A description of the reason for the request for a compliance extension for each engine or engine and vehicle combination, and
- (v) A copy of the statement of compliance for all applicable vehicles.

Please mail this information by July 1, 2009 to:

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If you have any questions regarding this advisory, please contact Ms. Kathleen Mead, Manager, at (916) 324-9550, or by email at kmead@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely

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