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TO: All Interested Parties Mail-Out #MSC 10-23

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SUBJECT: PUBLIC WORKSHOPS REGARDING THE OFF-ROAD AND TRUCK
AND BUS INVENTORIES AND REGULATORY AMENDMENTS

The California Air Resources Board (Board) invites you to participate in a series of public workshops to discuss proposed amendments for the Regulation for In-Use Off-Road Diesel Fueled Fleets (off-road regulation), and the In-Use Heavy-Duty Diesel-Fueled Vehicles Regulation (truck and bus regulation) and the emission inventories underlying both regulations.

On April 22, 2010, staff presented an update to the Board on the emissions inventories used to develop both regulations, as well as a summary of the impact of the recession on emissions from off-road vehicles, trucks, and buses. The Board asked staff to draft changes to the regulations that will mitigate the potential effects of an unfavorable economy on affected businesses, while recognizing the need to protect public health, meet federal clean air deadlines, and continue moving forward even through uncertain times. The Board also directed staff to consider approaches to give credit to firms that have already complied with the regulations.

Staff is tentatively scheduled to take these proposed changes to the Board for approval in September 2010. A separate notice will be released for this hearing.

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

Workshop Locations

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

Sacramento: (will also be webcast)

Date: Thursday, May 6, 2010
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Location: Air Resources Board
Byron Sher Auditorium
1001 I Street
Sacramento, California
95814

<http://www.arb.ca.gov/maps/sactomap.htm>

El Monte

Date: Wednesday, May 12, 2010
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Location: Air Resources Board
Auditorium, Annex 4
9530 Telstar Avenue
El Monte, California 91731

<http://www.arb.ca.gov/maps/elmomaps.htm>

<p><u>Central Valley</u></p> <p>Date: Tuesday, May 18, 2010 Time: 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Location: San Joaquin Valley APCD 1990 E. Gettysburg Fresno, California 93726</p>	<p>Alternative locations with live video feed:</p> <p>SJVAPCD (Modesto) 4800 Enterprise Way Modesto, California 95356</p> <p>SJVAPCD (Bakersfield) 34946 Flyover Court Bakersfield, California 93308</p>
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For those unable to attend in person, a live internet broadcast (webcasting) will be available during the Sacramento workshop. The El Monte workshop and the Central Valley workshop will not be webcast. The Sacramento broadcast can be accessed on the day of the workshop at <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/?BDO=1>. An email address will be available to submit questions or comments.

Workshop Agenda

At each workshop, staff will be discussing the emissions inventories used to develop the off-road regulation and the truck and bus regulation, and the general proposals to amend both regulations. Time will be provided at the Sacramento and El Monte workshops for a lunch break. Please see subsections below for greater detail on each discussion topic.

Emissions Inventory

Staff will present inputs, data sources, and methodologies being used to update the emissions inventory estimates relevant to both regulations. Staff will also explain the emission inventory assessment that was presented to the Board on April 22, 2010.

Proposed Regulatory Amendments

Staff will begin the discussion by giving a brief summary of actions taken at the April 22, 2010, Board Hearing. This summary will include principles and directives laid out by the Board. Next, staff will give a short presentation summarizing the potential amendments to the truck and bus regulation discussed at the January 2010 workshops to provide short term relief, and concepts to provide long term relief that may also be considered. The staff presentation will be followed by an opportunity for public comment and discussion regarding the truck and bus regulation. Lastly, staff will provide concepts to provide long term relief from the off-road regulation that may be considered, followed by an opportunity for public comment and discussion regarding the off-road regulation.

Staff plans to evaluate the economic impact of the potential regulatory changes on fleets subject to the regulations, including the cumulative impact on fleets subject to both regulations. At the workshops, staff will be discussing how best to collect individual fleet, vehicle, and financial information to evaluate the effects of potential changes.

Additional workshops are tentatively scheduled for June 2010, to discuss amendments to both regulations in more detail. There will be a separate notice released in the future for those workshops.

The presentations, as well as any additional material, will be available prior to the workshop at these website addresses: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/dieseltruck> and <http://www.arb.ca.gov/ordiesel>. The hard copy materials will also be available on the day of the meeting.

If you did not receive this notice directly, but would like to be on the mailing list for future notification, please sign up via our website at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/dieseltruck> for truck

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and bus regulation information, and at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/ordiesel> for off-road regulation information.

We welcome your participation in this effort. If you have general questions regarding the workshops or the regulations, please call our toll-free diesel regulation information line at 1-866-6DIESEL (1-866-634-3735).

For more specific questions regarding the off-road emissions inventories, you may contact Ms. Nicole Dolney, Manager, by email at ndolney@arb.ca.gov or by phone at (916) 322-1695. For questions regarding the truck and bus emissions inventories, please contact Dr. Todd Sax, Manager, by email at tsax@arb.ca.gov or by phone at (916) 322-5474.

For questions regarding off-road regulatory amendments, you may contact Ms. Kim Heroy-Rogalski, Manager, by e-mail at kheroyro@arb.ca.gov or by phone at (916) 327-2200. For questions regarding truck and bus regulation regulatory amendments, you may contact Ms. Beth White, Manager, by e-mail at eiwhite@arb.ca.gov or by phone at (916) 324-1704.

Sincerely,

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