## Air Resources Board



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TO: All Interested Parties

SUBJECT: WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS UPDATES TO THE ZERO EMISSION BUS

(ZBUS) REGULATIONS AND ZBUS TECHNOLOGY SUMMIT

The Air Resources Board (ARB or the Board) invites you to participate in a public workshop on September 17, 2013 in Diamond Bar, California, to discuss updates to the ZBus regulation and to explore the status of, and future developments to ZBus technology and related infrastructure.

At this workshop, ARB will establish the continued need for ZBus technology development. ZBus manufacturers and technology providers will discuss the current state of zero-emission bus technology and where they anticipate this technology will be in the near, and medium term future. In addition, transit agencies will share their experiences with procuring zero emission busses, operating within urban fleets, and maintenance challenges and opportunities. Staff plans to hold additional workshops following this workshop to explore regulatory options and to take comments on draft amendments prior to taking the regulatory package to the Board in May 2014.

Details of the workshop are as follows:

Date: September 17, 2013

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Location: South Coast Air Quality Management District

> 21865 Copley Drive, Room GB Diamond Bar, California 91765

Participants are encouraged to attend in person. An audio access conference line will be set up to accommodate those who are unable to attend in person.

Workshop agenda, call-in details, and information for submitting comments via email will be available at the ZBus website (http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/bus/zeb.htm) one week prior to the workshop. The ZBus list serve will be used to notify stakeholders of upcoming events relating to proposed modifications to the ZBus regulation. If you would like to receive notification by email of updates to proposed modifications to the

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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ZBus regulation please sign up at: http://www.arb.ca.gov/listserv/listserv ind.php?listname=zeb

If you have a disability-related accommodation need, please go to <a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov/html/ada/ada.htm">http://www.arb.ca.gov/html/ada/ada.htm</a> for assistance, or contact the American disabilities act coordinator at (916) 323-4916. If you require other special accommodations or language needs, please contact Lesley Stern at (916) 323-2913 or <a href="mailto:lstern@arb.ca.gov">lstern@arb.ca.gov</a> as soon as possible, but no later than 10 business days before the scheduled event/meeting.

We welcome and encourage your participation in this effort. If you have questions regarding the workshop or proposed modifications to the ZBus regulation, please contact Lesley Stern, Air Resources Engineer, at (916) 323-2913 or via email at <a href="mailto:lstern@arb.ca.gov">lstern@arb.ca.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

/s/

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