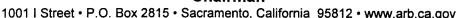


Air Resources Board

Alan C. Lloyd, Ph.D. Chairman





April 24, 2001

Dear Sir or Madam:

The staff of the Air Resources Board (ARB) invites you to a public meeting on May 18, 2001 to discuss the ARB's regulatory and non-regulatory fuel activities for 2001. This will be the third meeting for this year's fuels regulatory agenda and non-regulatory activities.

Items that will be discussed at the public meeting include:

- 1) development of amendments to the California diesel fuel regulations;
- 2) evaluation of diesel engine lubrication oils, diesel fuel additives and diesel fuel lubrication properties;
- 3) development of California Phase 3 Reformulated Gasoline (CaRFG3) vehicle certification fuel standards;
- 4) review of de minimus levels for methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE) and other ethers in CaRFG3 regulations; and
- 5) ongoing work on the effects of ethanol in gasoline regarding commingling and permeation.

An agenda of the meeting enclosed for your information.

The time and location of the public meeting is:

Date:

May 18, 2001 (Friday)

Time:

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Location:

California Air Resources Board

Auditorium, Annex 4 Building

9530 Telstar Avenue El Monte, California

The meeting place is accessible to persons with disabilities. If accommodation is needed, please call Mr. Valentine Montoya at (916) 322-6020 by May 11, 2001. Persons with hearing or speech impairments can contact us by using our Telephone Device for the DEAF (TDD) at (916) 324-9531 or (800) 700-8326 for TDD calls from outside the Sacramento area.

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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To participate by tele-conference, dial (888) 316-9407 and give the participant code: 41477

If you have questions about the meeting, please contact Mr. Erik White, Manager, Engineering Evaluation Section, at (916) 324-8029.

Sincerely,

Dean C. Simeroth, Chief Criteria Pollutants Branch

Enclosure

cc: Erik White, Manager

Engineering Evaluation Section

Air Resources Board

Public Meeting on Regulatory and Non-Regulatory Fuels Activities for 2001

> California Air Resources Board Auditorium, Annex 4 Building 9530 Telstar Avenue El Monte, California

> > May 18, 2001

AGENDA

- Introductions
- Discussion Topics:
 - Development of amendments to CARB Diesel Fuel Regulations
 - Evaluation of Diesel Lubrication Oils, Diesel Fuel Additives and Diesel Fuel Lubrication Properties
 - Development of CaRFG3 Regulatory for Vehicle Certification Fuel Standards
 - Review of MTBE and other ether De Minimus Levels in CaRFG3 Regulations
 - Ongoing Work on Commingling from the Effects of Ethanol in Gasoline
 - Ongoing Work on Permeation from the Effects of Ethanol in Gasoline
- Open Discussion
- Closing Remarks