



San Joaquin Valley
Air Pollution Control District

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Dr. Robert Sawyer, Chairman
Air Resources Board
1001 I Street, 23rd Floor
Sacramento, California 95814

Re: Proposed Amendments to the Stationary Diesel Engine Air Toxic Control Measure (ATCM)

Dear Dr. Sawyer:

This letter concerns the proposed amendments to the Stationary Diesel Engine ATCM being considered by your Board on November 16, 2006.

As you may well be aware, the proposed amendments to the Stationary Diesel Engine ATCM include new requirements applicable to existing agricultural diesel engines, a large number of which are located and operated in the San Joaquin Valley Air Basin. These requirements include an aggressive engine replacement schedule that closely coincides with our local engine Rule 4702. In addition, the proposed amendments also include requirements that address the potential residual health risk from engine replacements. Furthermore, the proposed amendments allow districts to establish reasonable enforcement programs to assure that the emissions reductions from the proposed amendments have occurred. The District supports the proposed amendments as reasonable requirements that will achieve significant state-wide reductions in emissions. We also appreciate the flexibility in the rule that allows districts to coordinate the implementation of the proposed requirements with existing programs and measures.

The District would like to commend Air Resources Board staff for their willingness to work closely with District staff in the development of the proposed amendments. We look forward to continuing to work closely with Air Resources Board staff in the future in implementing the new requirements.

Sincerely,

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