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RE: Proposed Port Drayage Truck Regulation

Clerk of the Board, Air Resources Board

I work for a trucking company that has been in business in California for 28 years. As a business operating in California we recognize the air quality issues facing all of us. We would like to assist in finding sustainable solutions that not only improve air quality but also help sustain a growing goods movement industry.

I have concerns with the recently released regulatory proposal aimed at controlling emissions for in-use on-road heavy duty drayage trucks within California Ports that will be discussed at the Public Hearing on December 6, 2007.

There will be trucks operating in California that will not be affected by this proposal. But those trucks will impact our air quality. The Private Fleet Rule proposed for October 2008 addresses all trucks operating in California. It would be much better to adopt the same timing as the Private Fleet Rule and include all trucks with the same emission requirements at the same time.

The time table should also be flexible if the availability of new trucks, engines or retrofit devices are not available in the quantities needed to bring fleets into compliance.

We are committed to working to find attainable and sustainable solutions to emissions reductions and ask you take into consideration the potential effects on the overall industry before putting potentially damaging regulations in place. We hope to continue working towards a common goal.

Sincerely

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