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Air Resources Board  
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Dear Air Resources Board,

A few weeks ago, I spoke with a trucker from another State. He stated that California is forcing the rest of the nation to work against them instead of with them. He said that if the diesel emission regulations pass, most truckers will not bring their goods and commodities to this State unless the price triples. He also said he would be willing to bring loads as far as Nevada, then California can "pack up their goods with their horse and wagons" and move it to their people.

While these words may be extreme, it does reflect how important AB32 can influence the California economy.

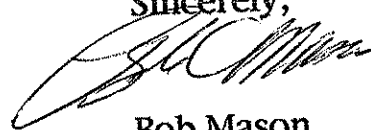
These are not just hollow words. If the rest of the nation can't pick up and deliver goods to California, then how can California's economy survive?

What will happen to all of the produce from the Central Valley? What about the high tech Silicon Valley? South San Francisco and the biotech industry? Aerospace and defense of Southern California? All of these industries, and more, are very important to the nation and what happens when the goods can not flow between states?

A total financial meltdown of California. That's what will happen.

While everyone wants clean air, one must be reasonable about how to achieve it. This can be achieved by common sense regulations and not hard line mandates.

Sincerely,



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