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California Air Resources Board 1001-I Street Sacramento, Ca. 95812

Re: trucking industry turmoil

The ARB is currently considering the adoption of an on-road diesel truck and bus Regulation that will create even more impact on the California economy. Our company is in favor or reducing emissions and clearing up the air quality But you need to be reasonable in your requirements.

You will be putting independent truckers and small fleet sized businesses out of Business because of the cost involved. Yes, you may say, that there is financing Available to update these vehicles. Only for some. We have applied and also tried Applying for various grants to update vehicles and we don't qualify. Our work is In Nevada, Yuba, Sierra and Placer counties and we do not qualify because of Where we live and work. We work in the smaller communities and cannot qualify. That is hogwash. We pay taxes and breathe the same air as others.

We are asking that to help keep our industry alive in this state that you consider
The alternative proposal proposed by the Driving Toward a Cleaner California that
Would give companies like mine to comply in a more reasonable timeframe.
The state of the economy is hitting our construction industry like a sledgehammer and
We do not need any more requirements soon.

Let our industry recover and give us more time to comply with the requirements that You are more than likely going to approve in the next week.

Marsha Foster

Owner