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Dear Sir or Madam:

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) invites you to join us Thursday, April 4, 2002, at the Cal-EPA Headquarters Building in Sacramento, California for a presentation and discussion of the upcoming 2001 Consumer & Commercial Products Survey (Survey). For your convenience, this meeting (see Attachment I for proposed agenda) will be held in conjunction with the California Clean Air Plan workshop, which is scheduled for April 2-5. This will be the first meeting for the 2001 Survey Stakeholder Workgroup, a subcommittee of the Consumer Products Workgroup. This workgroup will serve as a forum for on-going communication regarding the development of the Survey.

During the last ten years, regulation of consumer products has resulted in a significant reduction of emissions from consumer products. However, after the latest standards are implemented in 2005, emissions will begin to increase from consumer products due to population growth. Therefore, additional control measures are necessary so that this emissions growth will not overtake the reductions already achieved.

The Survey will be designed to obtain the information necessary to develop new consumer product emission standards that together will achieve a minimum emission reduction of 5 tons per day starting in 2006. We plan to have our Board consider the adoption of these new standards in 2003. Reductions will be achieved through the setting of mass-based and possibly reactivity-based standards.

The Survey will be similar in content to the 1997 ARB Consumer & Commercial Products Survey, however, there will be fewer categories. Attachment 2 contains descriptions of the categories we propose to survey. The proposed categories are as follows:

- Adhesive Remover
- Body Wipes
- Contact Adhesive
- Electronic Cleaner
- Fabric or Leather Waterproofer
- Foaming Personal Product
- Graffiti Remover
- Insect Repellent: non-aerosol
- Jewelry Cleaner
- Leather Care Product
- Multi-purpose Solvent
- Personal Hygiene Spray or Foam
- Shaving Gel
- Shoe Care Product
- Solid Room Air Freshener
- Solvent Parts Cleaner: non-aerosol
- Wood Cleaner
- Fabric Care
- Hair Care
- Nail Care

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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At the April 4th meeting, we will be presenting our proposed time schedule for the Survey. The floor will be opened for comments on the survey categories and content. For your convenience, a teleconferencing call option for the meeting will be offered at the meeting. For information on how to participate in the conference call, please contact Ms. Amy Livingston at (916) 324-9549, or by e-mail at alivings@arb.ca.gov.

The Cal-EPA Headquarters building facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. If accommodation is needed for the meeting, please contact Mr. Jose Saldana at (916) 322-0289 as soon as possible. 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 most current information about the Survey, related meetings, and the ARB Consumer Products Program in general can be found at the following website: http://www.arb.ca.gov/consprod/regact/2001surv/2001surv.htm. Alternatively, you can sign up for the Consumer Products Program list serve, which will send you an e-mail notice when new information is posted to the consumer products website about any of the consumer product program activities. You can join this list serv from the following website: http://www.arb.ca.gov/consprod/consprod.htm.

To expedite the survey process and make sure we have the most current information about your business, we are requesting your assistance in responding to and returning Attachment 3. Please identify your anticipated involvement level for this survey using this questionnaire by March 22, 2002.

We look forward to your participation in the upcoming survey process. If you have any questions about this letter, or the survey development process, please contact Mr. David Mallory, Manager, Measures Development Section at (916) 445-8316, or by e-mail at dmallory@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

/S/

Janette Brooks, Chief
Air Quality Measures Branch

Enclosures: Meeting Agenda
Category Descriptions
Questionnaire

cc: See next page

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Amy Livingston
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Proposed Agenda
2001 Survey Stakeholder Workgroup Meeting

2001 Consumer & Commercial Products Survey

Cal-EPA Headquarters Building
1001 I Street, Sacramento, California
Sierra Hearing Room

Thursday, April 4, 2002
Time: 9:00 a.m.

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1. Introductions
2. Survey Purpose & Goals
3. Timeframe
4. Survey Content
5. Discussion of Survey Categories
6. Closing

For teleconference phone number and sign up information, please contact Amy Livingston at (916) 324-9549, or by e-mail at alivings@arb.ca.gov.

The most recent information about the survey can be found at the following web site: http://www.arb.ca.gov/consprod/regact/2001surv/2001surv.htm.

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