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Dear Sir or Madam:

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) staff invites you to participate in a public consultation meeting to discuss possible regulatory approaches for the development of Airborne Toxic Control Measures (ATCMs) to reduce particulate matter (PM) emissions from new and existing diesel-fueled stationary and portable engines. This meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 14, 2001, at the following time and location:

Date:	February 14, 2001
Time:	9:30 AM
Location:	Employment Development Building 722 Capitol Mall, Room 1098 Sacramento, California 95814

As you may recall, the ARB approved the *Risk Reduction Plan to Reduce Particulate Matter Emissions from Diesel-Fueled Engines and Vehicles* (Diesel Risk Reduction Plan) in September 2000. This Diesel Risk Reduction Plan outlines a comprehensive program to significantly reduce diesel PM emissions from new and existing diesel vehicles and engines that operate in California. The meeting in February will be one of the first steps we will take in implementing the Diesel Risk Reduction Plan as it pertains to stationary and portable engines used in agricultural and non-agricultural operations. At this meeting, you will have an opportunity to hear about the public process that will be followed as we develop the ATCMs, the timelines for their development, and possible regulatory approaches to control diesel PM emissions from these engines. We will also discuss the formation of workgroups to help facilitate the development of the ATCMs and provide updates on several demonstration programs that are underway.

We recognize that as we move forward in the ATCM regulatory development process, there will likely be issues unique to agricultural operations. To ensure we reach the agricultural community, the ARB staff are conducting a series of outreach meetings to the agricultural community to inform them about the Diesel Risk Reduction Plan and to encourage their involvement and participation in this regulatory development process. Information on these outreach meetings is listed in the "Outreach" and "Meetings" sections on the ARB's web site at the web address identified below.

One week prior to the meeting we will post the meeting agenda and any handouts on our web site at http://www.arb.ca.gov/toxics/diesel/diesel.htm for your review. The materials will also be available as hard copy the day of the consultation meeting. If you did not receive this letter directly, but would like to be on the mailing list for future notification, please sign up via our web site at http://www.arb.ca.gov/toxics/diesel/lists.htm. Also, for your information, the facility at the Employment Development Building is accessible to persons with disabilities. If you need special accommodations to attend the consultation meeting, please contact Ms. Linda Keifer at (916) 323-4327 by January 31, 2001. Persons with hearing or speech impairments can contact us by using our Telephone Device for the Deaf (TDD) at (916) 324-9431, or (800) 700-8326 for TDD calls from outside the Sacramento area.

We welcome your participation in this effort. If you have any questions regarding the February public consultation meeting or the agricultural outreach meetings, please contact Ms. Peggy Taricco, Manager, Technical Analysis Section, at (916) 327-7213.

Sincerely,

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