State of California
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

Resolution 85-71

October 24, 1985

Agenda Item No.: 85-15-1

WHEREAS, Section 39602 of the Health and Safety Code designates the Air Resources Board (the "Board") as the state agency responsible for preparation of the state implementation plan required by the federal Clean Air Act;

WHEREAS, Sections and 39002, 39003, 39500 and 40000 of the Health and Safety Code assign the Board primary responsibility for the control of emissions from motor vehicles;

WHEREAS, Section 43000 of the Health and Safety Code identifies the emission of air pollutants from motor vehicles as the primary cause of air pollution in many parts of the state, and states that the control and elimination of those air pollutants is of prime importance for the protection and preservation of the public health and welfare;

WHEREAS, Section 43012 of the Health and Safety Code authorizes the Board to adopt and implement motor vehicle emission standards;

WHEREAS, currently motor vehicles in customer service on the average do not comply with these emission standards throughout their useful lives;

WHEREAS, certain areas of the state, including the South Coast Air Basin, are not expected to comply with the national ambient air quality standards for ozone and carbon monoxide by the end of 1987, as required by the Clean Air Act;

WHEREAS, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), in consultation with the Air Resources Board, has developed a program which requires California to demonstrate to EPA that it is making all reasonable efforts to attain national ambient air quality standards as expeditiously as practicable;

WHEREAS, the ARB staff has recommended that a primary goal of the Board's demonstration of reasonable efforts is to ensure that motor vehicles comply with the emission standards for their useful life in customer service;

WHEREAS, the staff has developed a Reasonable Efforts Program emission reduction goal for motor vehicles and has identified potential motor vehicle control measures which may help to ensure that this goal is attained;

WHEREAS, achieving this goal will reduce motor vehicle emissions of hydrocarbons (a major contributor to ozone formation) and carbon monoxide in the South Coast Air Basin by at least 80 and 870 tons per day, respectively, by the year 2000; and

WHEREAS, additional emission reductions may be achievable through revisions to current emission standards and/or expanded use of cleaner fuels.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the attached emission reduction goal for motor vehicles and directs the Executive Officer to transmit this policy commitment to appropriate local districts and to the EPA, and to begin to develop control measures for consideration by the Board consistent with this goal.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the staff is directed to return to the Board with a schedule for the development of specific reduction measures to implement the Reasonable Efforts Program: Proposed Emission Reduction Goals for Motor Vehicles, as required by EPA.

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution 85-71, as adopted by the Air Resources Board.

Harold Holmes

Harold Holmes, Board Secretary