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Arnold Schwarzenegger  
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Dear Madam or Sir:

The Air Resources Board (ARB) staff invites you to participate in kick-off workshops being held around the State to discuss development of the Goods Movement Emission Reduction Program (Program). This new incentive program is a partnership between ARB and local agencies (like air districts, ports, and transportation agencies) to quickly reduce air pollution emissions and health risk from freight movement along California's trade corridors. California voters approved \$1 billion in bond funding for this purpose under Proposition 1B in 2006 and subsequent legislation established the structure for the Program. ARB is scheduled to adopt Program Guidelines in December 2007 and then allocate the first \$250 million in bond monies to local agencies in early 2008. Local agencies will provide financial incentives to owners of equipment used in freight movement to upgrade to cleaner technologies.

<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Public Workshop Location</u>
October 1, 2007 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Long Beach Civic Center, Council Chambers 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, CA 90802
October 3, 2007 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.	San Diego County Administration Building, Room 310 1600 Pacific Highway, San Diego, CA 92101
October 4, 2007 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Caltrans District 4 Building, Auditorium 111 Grand Avenue, Oakland, CA 94612
October 10, 2007 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.	San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District Building 1990 East Gettysburg Avenue, Fresno, CA 93726
	<u>With video links to District locations at:</u> 4800 Enterprise Way      2700 "M" Street, Suite 275 Modesto, CA 95356      Bakersfield, CA 93301
October 11, 2007 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Cal/EPA Headquarters Building, Byron Sher Auditorium 1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95812

Webcast at <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/Broadcast/>

*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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The purpose of the workshops is to seek public input on Program design, including how to apply the funding criteria in the legislation and which specific types of projects should be eligible for funding. We are proposing to develop funding targets for source sectors (trucks, locomotives, etc.) and for the four trade corridor regions (Los Angeles/Inland Empire, Central Valley, Bay Area, and San Diego/Border). We will use the information gained from the workshops to develop recommendations to the Board on funding targets and the Program Guidelines.

We have released a white paper entitled "*Staff Draft Concepts for Implementation*," which describes our initial thinking on the Program to stimulate and focus public discussion. This document is available on the Program website at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/gmbond>. We encourage you to visit the website and sign up for the email listserve (gmbond) to receive notices of meetings and document availability.

For individuals with sensory disabilities, this document is available in Braille, large print, audio cassette or computer disk. Please contact ARB's Disability Coordinator at (916) 323-4916 by voice or through the California Relay Service by calling 711, to place your request for disability services. If you are a person with limited English and would like to request interpreter services, please contact ARB's Bilingual Manager at (916) 323-7053.

We encourage your participation and look forward to your input. If you have questions on the Program, please contact Douglas Ito, Manager, Goods Movement Strategies Section, at [gmbond@arb.ca.gov](mailto:gmbond@arb.ca.gov) or call our Goods Movement Information Line at (916) 44-GOODS (444-6637). If you have questions about meeting logistics, please contact Marie Kavan at [mkavan@arb.ca.gov](mailto:mkavan@arb.ca.gov) or (916) 322-7142.

Sincerely,

/s/

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