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NOTICE: CHANGE IN MEETING DATE

AB 32: California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006

Public Meeting to Discuss Competitiveness Issues in a California Cap-and-Trade Program

Topic and Purpose: The Air Resources Board (ARB) invites you to participate in a public meeting to discuss issues related to the competitiveness of California industries included in a California greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions cap-and-trade program.

AB 32 requires the ARB to address the design of a California cap-and-trade program to avoid placing local industries at a competitive disadvantage with out-of-state and international industries not subject to similar emission reduction requirements. If the program design results in significant competitive disadvantages, GHG emissions-intensive industries in California may choose, for example, to re-locate out of state or lose business to out-of-state competitors. This could offset any in-state emission reductions with even greater increases in emissions elsewhere and result in the loss of jobs and economic activity in California. Staff is exploring cap-and-trade program design features that can minimize this type of emissions "leakage," and economic loss.

This meeting will provide a forum to discuss methods to identify and assess issues related to competitiveness and leakage for emissions-intensive and trade-exposed industries.

Where and When is the Meeting?

This meeting will be held at Cal/EPA Headquarters in Sacramento and will also be webcast.

Date: Monday, April 13, 2009
Time: 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Location: Sierra Hearing Room, 2nd Floor
Address: Cal/EPA Headquarters Building
1001 "I" Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

[WEBCAST LINK](#) (see details below)

More Information on Public Meetings

This meeting initiates a discussion of competitiveness issues and leakage in a cap-and-trade program. ARB is scheduling other public meetings to discuss cap-and-trade

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program design issues including but not limited to offsets, market operations, cap setting, and allowance distribution. ARB will post these meetings on the ARB website at: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/capandtrade/capandtrade.htm>.

Meeting Materials

ARB will post meeting materials and an agenda prior to the workshop at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/capandtrade/workgroup/meetings.htm>. At this website, you may also join our electronic mailing list to receive further notices of ARB activities and public meetings related to the implementation of AB 32.

Can't Make It to the Meeting?

ARB will webcast this meeting. Viewers can email written comments or questions during the session to ccworkshops@arb.ca.gov. Webcast links are posted at <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/>. ARB recommends that you do not run other programs while viewing the webcast, as it may interrupt or lower the quality of the signal.

Directions to Cal/EPA

There are many ways to arrive at the Cal/EPA Headquarters Building. We encourage you to take public transportation or drive low emission/high efficiency vehicles whenever possible. Use the following link for directions and information on public transit: <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/EPAbldg/location.htm>

Special Accommodations or Language Assistance

If you require special accommodations or language needs, please contact Mihoyo Fuji at (916) 324-0916 or mfuji@arb.ca.gov as soon as possible. TTY/TDD/Speech to Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service."

We Value Your Input

We welcome and encourage your participation in this important effort. If you have any questions, please contact Mihoyo Fuji, ARB Office of Climate Change, at (916) 324-0916 or mfuji@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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