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Dear Sir or Madam:

The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 establishes a statewide target for greenhouse gas reductions by 2020. The Act further requires the Air Resources Board (ARB) to adopt a plan and individual measures to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective reductions in greenhouse gas emissions, by various deadlines, over the next four years. By June 30, 2007, the Act requires ARB to identify a list of discrete early action measures for implementation by January 1, 2010. We invite you to attend public workshops on (1) ARB's overall implementation plan for the Act and (2) ARB's plan for developing the list of early action measures. Other public meetings and workshops will be held in the future. To receive notices of these meetings and related documents, please go to ARB's Climate Change website (address below) and sign up for the Climate Change e-list which will alert you by email whenever ARB releases items of importance.

The workshops will be held at the following time and location:

Date: January 22, 2007

Time: Implementation Plan and Schedule
9:30 am – 12:00 pm (Pacific Time)

Early Action Items
1:30 pm – 5:00 pm (Pacific Time)

Location: Byron Sher Auditorium
Address: Cal/EPA Headquarters
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

The morning workshop will cover ARB's multi-year work plan for implementing the Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006. Staff will present an overall schedule, key milestones and ARB's approach for ensuring broad stakeholder involvement. The time table for related actions by the Public Utilities Commission and the California Energy Commission will also be discussed.

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 afternoon workshop will focus on early action measures. The Global Warming Solutions Act requires the ARB to publish by June 30, 2007 a list of discrete early action greenhouse gas reduction measures that will be adopted, implemented and enforceable no later than January 1, 2010. Staff will discuss its proposed criteria for selecting such measures and some of the candidate measures that have been identified thus far. For completeness, staff will also discuss other measures ARB is working on in the same general timeframe that could have significant greenhouse gas benefits. Although not explicitly required by the Act, ARB would like to complete one or more protocols for calculating the value of early, voluntary greenhouse gas emission reductions as part of its early action plan. Staff will discuss candidate protocols for such development.

Additional materials for both workshops will be posted prior to the meeting at the ARB's Climate Change website (<http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/cc.htm>) and made available in hard copy at the meeting. 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 the Act. Directions and public transit information can be found at the California Environmental Protection Agency's website at <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/epabldg/location.htm>. If you have special accommodation or language needs please contact Ms. Rebecca Boyer as soon as possible via phone at (916) 322-4560 or e-mail at rboyer@arb.ca.gov. TTY/TDD/Speech-to-Speech users may dial 7-1-1 for the California Relay Service. For those unable to attend the workshops in person, a live video/audio webcast will be available beginning at 9:30 am on January 22, 2007 at <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast>. During the workshops the webcast audience may submit questions and comments using the email address auditorium@calepa.ca.gov. ARB staff will respond to questions and comments during the public workshops.

We welcome and encourage your participation in this important effort. If you have questions regarding the Implementation Plan and Schedule workshop please contact Mr. Chuck Shulock, Program Manager for Greenhouse Gas Reduction, at (916) 322-6964 or cshulock@arb.ca.gov. For questions regarding the Early Action workshop please contact Dr. Alberto Ayala, Manager of the Climate Change Mitigation and Emissions Research Section, at aayala@arb.ca.gov or (916) 327-2952, or Dr. Jorn Herner, Staff Lead, at jherner@arb.ca.gov or (916) 324-9299.