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The Honorable Mark Leno
Joint Legislative Budget Committee
1020 N Street, Room 553
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Attention: Ms. Peggy Collins

Dear Senator Leno:

Since the passage of AB 32 in 2006, ARB has worked diligently to develop California's climate change programs and to ensure their smooth implementation. We have made excellent progress towards achieving our goal of reducing carbon emissions to 1990 levels by 2020. With the official launch of California's Cap-and-Trade program last year, we are one step closer as a state to reducing the harmful effects of climate change on our environment and our economy.

It is our pleasure to provide a copy of the enclosed report which provides a detailed update on the progress being made to achieve the goals of AB 32. ARB has undertaken ground-breaking climate change initiatives, notably Cap-and-Trade, the Low Carbon Fuel Standard, and the Advanced Clean Cars Program, and is working in close partnership with our regional partners to implement SB 375. Furthermore, as AB 32 directed, we continue to work with our partners in other states, at the federal level, and in other countries to develop solutions to climate change.

This report was prepared pursuant to the requirements of the Supplemental Report of the 2012 Budget Act, item 3900-001-0001, which requires ARB to provide AB 32 program updates semi-annually and AB 32 fiscal information annually to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee. The report also meets the requirements of Senate Bill 1018 (Budget and Fiscal Review, Chapter 39, Statutes of 2012), to provide semi-annual updates to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee about Western Climate Initiative, Incorporated (WCI, Inc.).

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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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We look forward to continuing our work together to ensure that our efforts to implement AB 32 are successful. As always, please feel free to contact us or ARB's Legislative Director, Jennifer Gress, at (916) 322-8520.

Sincerely,



Matthew Rodriguez
Secretary for Environmental Protection



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Enclosures

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