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AB 32 – California Global Warming Solutions Act Goods Movement Sector Workshop

Invitation to Attend Public Workshop on Goods Movement Sector Concepts

The Air Resources Board (ARB) staff invites you to participate in the first public workshop to discuss concepts for reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from the goods movement sector. The purpose of this workshop is to provide an overview of ARB activity on this sector, and to discuss concepts to achieve the maximum reduction in GHG emissions through strategies that are technically feasible and cost-effective.

Where and When is the Public Workshop?

This workshop will be held at Cal/EPA Headquarters in Sacramento and will also be web cast.

Date: Tuesday, April 15, 2008
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Location: Sierra Hearing Room
Address: Cal/EPA Headquarters Building
1001 I Street, Second Floor
Sacramento, California 95814

Goods Movement Sector Background & Scoping Plan

The goods movement sector includes the vehicles and equipment that transport cargo throughout California. These sources include ships, harbor craft, cargo handling equipment, heavy-duty trucks, locomotives, stationary and portable back-up engines, and truck refrigeration units. These emissions sources use California's extensive network of ports and intermodal rail yards. Concepts to reduce GHG emissions from the goods movement sector may be source specific (e.g. ships, trucks), or address overall goods movement system efficiency.

On October 25, 2007, the Board approved several emission reduction strategies to reduce GHG emissions from goods movement activities as "early action measures." Early action measures for ships, port drayage trucks, cargo handling equipment and transport refrigeration units were approved. Additional measures for this sector are being evaluated for the overall Scoping Plan the Board must adopt by January 1, 2009. The concepts discussed at this workshop may be developed into measures that will be included in the Scoping Plan, and may ultimately help meet the State's goal of reducing GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 as required by the California Global Warming Solutions Act (Assembly Bill 32).

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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Workshop Materials

Workshop materials and an agenda will be posted prior to the workshop at the ARB climate change website (under “What’s New?”) at: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/cc.htm> and will be available in hard copy at the meeting.

Can’t Make it to the Workshop?

This workshop will be webcast, and viewers can email questions during the session to sierrarm@calepa.ca.gov. Webcast links are posted at 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. Written questions and comments can be submitted at any time to sierrarm@calepa.ca.gov.

Directions to Cal/EPA

There are many ways to arrive at the Cal/EPA Headquarters Building but 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

To place your request for disability services, please contact ARB’s Disability Coordinator at 916-323-4916 by voice or through the California Relay Services at 711. For interpreter services, please contact ARB’s Bilingual Manager at 916- 323-7053.

We welcome and encourage your participation in this important effort. If you have any questions about ARB’s efforts to reduce GHG emissions from the goods movement sector, please contact Ms. Peggy Taricco, Manager, Technical Analysis Section at 916-323-4882, or via email at ptaricco@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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