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October 19, 2009

Dear Sir or Madam:

The preliminary results of the 2006 Consumer & Commercial Products Survey including Aerosol Coatings (survey) are available for review and comment. The purpose of the survey was to gather current information on volatile organic compounds (VOC), reactive organic compound (ROC), and/or greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from over 100 product categories. At the date of this letter, approximately 550 companies have responded, reporting almost 9,500 products. The survey data we collected will be used to update ARB's consumer products emissions inventory and assist us as we evaluate the feasibility of further reducing consumer products emissions. The preliminary data summaries are available at

<http://www.arb.ca.gov/consprod/regact/2006surv/2006surv.htm>. For more information on how the survey process was conducted, see the survey website at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/consprod/regact/2006surv/2006survhx.htm>

As you review the preliminary data summaries, you may notice that some information has been omitted. To protect confidentiality of responding companies, we have withheld selected information in cases where few products of a particular form are reported within a given category. In some cases, we have removed clearly non-reportable products, or those with incomplete data, and have moved miscategorized products. In addition, the quantity of some reported ingredients has been withheld from specific tables to protect confidentiality. For more information on the methods used to protect confidentiality, see the "Format Overview and Explanation" document included in the data summaries.

Preliminary data summaries for six of the product categories included in the survey were previously released on August 15, 2008. The data for Double Phase Aerosol Air Fresheners, Glass Cleaners (non-aerosol), General Purpose Cleaners (non-aerosol), General Purpose Degreasers (non-aerosol), General Purpose Degreasers (labeled not for retail sale) and Furniture Maintenance Products (aerosol) was presented and discussed as part of the rulemaking activities that preceded the 2009 Consumer Product Regulation rulemaking. Only the Double Phase Air Freshener category was included in the 2009 amendments. The other five categories will be evaluated for inclusion in a late 2010 rulemaking. The preliminary data summaries for these six categories are available at

<http://www.arb.ca.gov/consprod/regact/2006surv/datasum2006.htm>.

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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We are continuing to work with some companies to complete their survey submission. Upon completion, this information will be added to our database. We are also currently reviewing product categories to determine if further data refinement is necessary and if emission reductions are feasible. We plan to conduct shelf surveys and work with stakeholders to adjust the reported total VOC emissions in categories where the market coverage is low.

If you have comments regarding the preliminary data summaries please submit them by November 19, 2009. We will continue to take comments on the data summaries on an ongoing basis. If you have identified any major errors or are aware of any significant omissions from the data summaries, please include them in your comments. You may provide your comments via email or in writing using the following addresses:

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For further questions regarding the preliminary data summaries, please contact Mr. David Mallory, Manager, Measures Development Section, at (916) 445-8316 or by email at dmallory@arb.ca.gov, or contact Ms. Jenifer Kiger at (916) 324-9551 or by email at jkiger@arb.ca.gov. We appreciate your interest and assistance in this effort.

Sincerely,


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