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**To:** All Interested Parties

**Subject:** Emergency Regulatory Changes to the Stationary Diesel Engine ATCM

This letter is to inform you that the Air Resources Board's (ARB or Board) emergency regulation for new stationary compression-ignition agriculture pump engines has been approved and is now in effect. The emergency regulation for new stationary diesel agriculture pump engines will expire on August 3, 2005. During this period, engine distributors, dealers, and engine manufacturers can sell complying new stationary agriculture diesel pump engines greater than 50 hp to less than 175 hp that meet the current Tier 2 particulate matter (PM) standards. Tier 2 engines purchased during this period are deemed compliant with the airborne toxic control measure (ATCM). Also, air districts can complete the Carl Moyer application process for Tier 2 engines currently awaiting approval.

The Board approved emergency modifications to the stationary ATCM on March 17, 2005, changing the PM standard for agricultural pump engines from 0.15 grams per brake horsepower-hour (g/bhp-hr) to be the same as the ARB's and U.S. EPA's Tier 2 new off-road engine PM emissions standard. Thus, the PM standard for greater than 50 to 99 hp engines will be 0.30 g/bhp-hr and the PM standard for 100 to 174 hp engines will be 0.22 g/bhp-hr. The tiered PM standard for 175 hp and greater compression-ignition engines (i.e., 0.15 g/bhp-hr) remains unchanged as these engines already meet the ATCM requirements.

Finally, the ARB staff report and hearing notice regarding the amendments to the Stationary Compression-Ignition Engine ATCM will be available April 8, 2005, on our web page at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/diesel/ag/ag.htm>. A public workshop notice will be sent out within the next two weeks via ARB's list serve. Staff has tentatively set the workshop date for April 27<sup>th</sup> and plan to return to the Board on May 26, 2005, with the proposed amendments to the stationary engine ATCM that will address current issues on a permanent basis.

*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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If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Tony Andreoni, Manager of the Process Evaluation Section, at (916) 324-6021.

Sincerely,

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