

CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO CONSIDER THE APPROVAL OF CALIFORNIA'S 2001 EMISSION INVENTORY

The Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) will conduct a public meeting at the time and place noted below to consider the approval of the update to the 2001 emission inventory. Included in the 2001 inventory is an updated marine engine inventory.

DATE: July 26, 2001

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Ramada Plaza Hotel
Whitcomb Ballroom
1231 Market Street
San Francisco, California 94103

This item will be considered in a two-day meeting of the ARB commencing at 9:00 a.m., July 26, 2001, and may continue at 8:30 a.m., July 27, 2001. This item may not be considered until July 27, 2001. Please consult the agenda for this meeting, which will be available at least ten days before July 26, 2001, to determine the day on which this item will be considered.

The facility is accessible to persons with disabilities. If accommodation is needed, please contact the Clerk of the Board at (916) 322-5594, or TDD (916) 324-9531 or (800) 700-8326 for TDD calls from outside the Sacramento area by July 12, 2001, to ensure accommodation.

State law (section 39607 of the Health and Safety Code) requires the ARB to inventory sources of air pollution within the state's air basins and to determine the kinds and quantities of air pollutants. The ARB has published emissions inventories and updates for over 25 years. Improvements are made periodically to maintain and provide the most complete, accurate, and up-to-date inventory practicable. State law, in section 39607.3 of the Health and Safety Code, requires the Board to approve an update to the emission inventory for criteria pollutants, including emissions from mobile, stationary, area-wide, and non-anthropogenic sources every three years. The law also requires verification of the emission inventory (that is, an assessment or confirmation of the estimated emissions) using available, scientific data including measured pollution, and an explanation of any discrepancies.

The ARB is responsible for developing the statewide, official California emissions inventory. California's emission inventory is an estimate of the amounts and types of pollutants emitted from thousands of industrial facilities, millions of motor vehicles, and hundreds of millions of applications of other products such as paints and consumer products. The development of the emission inventory is a multi-agency effort involving

the ARB staff, 35 local and regional air pollution control agencies (districts), metropolitan planning organizations, councils of governments, and the California Department of Transportation.

Emission inventory data are used to improve air quality by guiding the development, implementation, and effectiveness tracking of air pollution control strategies. Inventories are also used to evaluate air pollution impacts in communities and neighborhoods. Emission inventories ultimately improve public health by providing valuable information necessary to make the smartest environmental and fiscal choices required to improve the quality of our air.

The ARB staff has prepared a Staff Report entitled "California's 2001 Emission Inventory - A Review and Look Toward the Future," which describes the 2001 emission inventory and planned improvements. Copies of the Staff Report may be obtained from the California Air Resources Board, Public Information Office, 1001 "I" Street, 1st Floor, Environmental Services Center, Sacramento, California, 95814, (916) 322-2990, at least 21 days prior to the scheduled meeting.

Copies of the 2001 emission inventory can be obtained by calling the ARB's Public Information Office at (916) 322-2990, and may also be obtained from ARB's SB 2174 webpage at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/emisinv/sb2174.htm>

The public may present comments relating to this matter orally or in writing at the meeting, and in writing or by e-mail before the meeting. To be considered by the Board, written comments submissions not physically submitted at the meeting must be received **no later than 12:00 noon, July 25, 2001**, and addressed to the following:

Postal mail is to be sent to:

Clerk of the Board
Air Resources Board
1001 "I" Street, 23rd Floor
Sacramento, California 95814

Electronic mail is to be sent to emisinv@listserv.arb.ca.gov and received at the ARB **no later than 12:00 noon, July 25, 2001**.

Facsimile submissions are to be transmitted to the Clerk of the Board at (916) 322-3928 and received at the ARB **no later than 12:00 noon, July 25, 2001**.

The Board requests but does not require 30 copies of any written submission. Also, the ARB requests that written and e-mail statements be filed at least 10 days prior to the meeting so that ARB staff and Board members have time to fully consider each comment. Further inquiries regarding this matter should be directed to Michael Benjamin, Manager, Emission Inventory Systems Section, Planning and Technical Support Division, P.O. Box 2815, Sacramento, California 95812, (916) 323-2915.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Michael P. Kenny".

Michael P. Kenny
Executive Officer

Date: July 3, 2001

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 Web-site at www.arb.ca.gov.