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TO: All Interested Parties

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SUBJECT: PUBLIC WORKSHOPS TO DISCUSS UPDATES TO ARB'S
ENFORCEMENT POLICIES

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) invites you to participate in public workshops to discuss upcoming updates to ARB's enforcement policies. ARB's current penalty policy was adopted in 2011. ARB is updating its penalty policy partly to respond to AB 1685 (2016) which, among other things, increases the maximum penalties for mobile source violations and clarifies how those penalties can be applied. In addition to updating the current penalty policy to address AB 1685, we are taking this opportunity to develop a more transparent enforcement policy.

The same information will be presented at each workshop. The workshops will be held at the following locations and times:

Date: **February 09, 2017**
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Location: California Air Resources Board
9528 Telstar Avenue, Annex 4 Auditorium
El Monte, California 91731
Directions: <https://goo.gl/maps/DbghscUiwKw>

Date: **February 15, 2017**
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Location: Cal/EPA Building
1001 I Street, Byron Sher Auditorium
Sacramento, California 95812
Directions: <https://goo.gl/maps/NCmBsDmGe672>

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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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Background

The current penalty policy was developed in 2011 to comply with SB 1402 (2010) which required that ARB articulate the basis for determining penalties for violations discovered through enforcement actions. ARB is updating its current penalty policy partly to respond to AB 1685 (2016), which better aligns California's maximum mobile source penalties with federal penalties. AB 1685 increases the maximum penalty for mobile source violations, and clarifies ARB's ability to enforce multiple violations for each applicable mobile source. ARB is soliciting public input on potential impacts of AB 1685 and on developing a more transparent enforcement policy overall.

Special Accommodations

If you require special accommodation for the workshop, or need this document in an alternative format (e.g. Braille, large print), or another language, please contact Mr. Terry Allen, Air Pollution Specialist, either at (626) 450-6154 or by email at Terry.Allen@arb.ca.gov as soon as possible, but no later than 7 business days before the workshop. TTY/TTD/Speech to Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.

Please check the website www.arb.ca.gov/enf/policy2017.htm for updates, including the workshop notice, presentation, and other related documents. Updates will also be sent our via our electronic list serve. To subscribe, please enroll at: https://www.arb.ca.gov/listserv/listserv_ind.php?listname=enf.

We welcome your participation. If you have questions regarding the workshop, please contact Ms. Martina Diaz by email at penalty1685@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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