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Arnold Schwarzenegger  
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November 30, 2007

Dear Sir or Madam:

The staff of the Air Resources Board (ARB) will hold the sixth public meeting of the biodiesel/renewable diesel workgroup to discuss ARB's research related activities on these fuels.

Discussion topics will include, but are not limited to, the funding and scheduling of ARB biodiesel/renewable diesel research studies. These include an emissions characterization study, an oxide of nitrogen (NOx) mitigation study, and a multimedia assessment. A detailed description of the emission characterization study will be presented and discussed with a major focus on the test protocol which includes the vehicle and engine test matrix, test schedule, and a detailed description of unregulated emissions tests. Also, the meeting will include a discussion of NOx mitigation strategies that will be evaluated in this study. A draft agenda is enclosed. For more information regarding the biodiesel/renewable diesel workgroup, please visit the Alternative Diesel Program web page at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/fuels/diesel/altdiesel/altdiesel.htm>. This webpage contains the proposed work plan for the biodiesel/renewable diesel emissions characterization and NOx mitigation study including a summary of other activities.

The time and place of the public workgroup meeting are shown below:

Date: Wednesday, December 5, 2007  
Time: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm  
Location: California Environmental Protection Agency  
1001 I Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Conference Room 550  
Sacramento, California 95814

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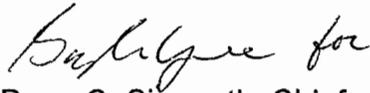
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Please note that this workgroup meeting **will not** be webcast. To participate by teleconference dial **(888) 323-9688** and give the participant code: **42142**, and leader name: **Robert Okamoto**.

A final agenda will be sent out about one week before the meeting. If you have suggestions for topics to be discussed, please contact Mr. Robert Okamoto, Staff Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 327-2953 or by email at [rokamoto@arb.ca.gov](mailto:rokamoto@arb.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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Criteria Pollutants Branch

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Robert Okamoto, Staff APS  
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Sacramento, CA 95814**

Teleconference Dial-In # **(888) 323-9688** Participant Code: **42142**  
Leader Name: **Robert Okamoto.**

**Draft Agenda**

- I. Introductions
- II. Summary of previous workgroup discussions/conclusions
  - a. Fuels
  - b. Storage
  - c. Engine selection
  - d. Vehicle selection
  - e. Test matrix
- III. Test Protocol
  - a. On-road vehicle test matrix
  - b. Engine test matrix
  - c. Test schedule
  - d. Detailed description of unregulated emissions tests
  - e. Others
- IV. NOx mitigation
  - a. Follow up discussion on NOx mitigation strategies
- V. Presentation by others
- VI. Open discussion