



Air Resources Board



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March 11, 2010

Dear Sir or Madam:

The staff of the California Air Resources Board (ARB/Board) invites interested parties to attend the first meeting of an informal workgroup convened to discuss the crude oil screening process for the Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS). The LCFS regulation was approved by the Board at the April 23, 2009 Board hearing. At that hearing, the Board also adopted Resolution 09-31 (Resolution) which includes a number of provisions related to ongoing work on the LCFS. Two provisions relate to the preparation of guidelines to assist regulated parties in determining carbon intensity values for new or modified fuel pathways.

During this initial meeting of the workgroup, the structure of the crude oil screening process, criteria used to screen crude oil sources, and the level of specificity used for crude oil sources will be discussed. A draft document describing workgroup objectives is available at http://www.arb.ca.gov/fuels/lcfs/lcfs_meetings.htm. Enclosed is a tentative agenda. A final agenda and drafts of documents, as appropriate, will be available prior to the workshop at the above website.

The meeting will be held at the following time and location:

DATE: Monday, March 29, 2010
TIME: 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Conference Room 620
ADDRESS: Cal/EPA Headquarters Building
1001 "I" Street
Sacramento, California 95814

Directions to Cal/EPA Headquarters and public transit information can be found at the California Environmental Protection Agency's website at <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/epabldg/location.htm>.

If you require a special accommodation or need this document in an alternate format or language, please contact Mr. Valentine Montoya at (916) 324-0428 or vmontoya@arb.ca.gov as soon as possible, but no later than 10 business days before the scheduled event/meeting. TTY/ITDD/Speech to Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.

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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Please RSVP if planning to attend the meeting in person as the conference room has limited seating. You may also participate by teleconference by dialing **(888) 769-9720** (for domestic) and **(517) 308-9413** (for international) and give the Participant Passcode: **49881**, and Leader Name **Dean Simeroth**.

We welcome and encourage your participation in this effort. If you have questions about the meeting, please contact Mr. James Duffy, Ph.D., Air Resources Engineer, Alternative Fuels Section at (916) 323-0015 or jduffy@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



Dean C. Simeroth, Chief
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Enclosure

cc: Mr. James Duffy, Ph.D.
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Tentative Agenda

1. Structure of the screening process used in evaluating the carbon intensity of crude oil sources.
2. Specificity to be used when assigning carbon intensity values to crude oil sources which are not "included in the 2006 California baseline crude oil mix".
3. Criteria to be used in the screening process.
 - a. Primary screening step
 - b. Secondary screening step
 - "Conventional" crude oil production
 - Thermally enhanced oil production
 - Crude bitumen mining

Method 2B process for "potential high carbon intensity crude oil sources