

November 30, 2022

Liane Randolph Chair California Air Resources Board 1001 "I" Street Sacramento, CA 95814

**Via: Electronic Submittal** 

Re: Comments - SB596-wkshp-Oct20-ws

Dear Chair Randolph,

The California Construction and Industrial Materials Association (CalCIMA) appreciates the opportunity to participate in the CARB SB 596 Cement Sector, Net-Zero Emissions Strategy process. We are very appreciative of the continued leadership of the state's cement companies in the support and adaption of cement to a Net-Zero Carbon future. Your work with cement producers is valuable to achieving successful climate adaptation.

CalCIMA is the statewide voice of the construction and industrial materials industry. With over 500 local plants and facilities throughout the state, producing aggregate, concrete, asphalt, industrial minerals, and precast construction products, our members produce the materials that build our state's infrastructure, including public roads, rail, and water projects; homes, schools and hospitals; assist in growing crops and feeding livestock; and play a key role in manufacturing consumer products as well, including roofing, paint, low-energy light bulbs, and battery technology for electric cars and windmills. The continued availability of our members' materials is vital to California's economy, as well as ensuring California meets its carbon reduction, affordable housing, and infrastructure goals.

Cement is a primary constituent ingredient to one of the materials we represent, specifically concrete. We have been grateful for the cement industry and your proactive efforts. As the only

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statewide trade association representing ready-mix concrete, which uses 77% of cement produced, we recognize you may develop questions requiring input from our perspective. We are of course here and available to participate in any such discussions.

We support California's cement producers in developing a net-zero emissions strategy and we want CARB to know that ready-mixed concrete industry is here, and available should our expertise be needed or helpful within this process. Please feel free to contact us should you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Adam Harper

Director of Environmental & Land Use Policy