



September 20, 2022

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

RE: Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation

Dear Chair Randolph and Members of the Board,

Thank you for the opportunity to support ARB's efforts to accelerate the transition to zero-emission vehicles (ZEV) for the medium- and heavy-duty sectors, including the effort to develop and pass the proposed Advanced Clean Fleets (ACF) Rule. Meeting the objectives of the rule will create market signals that will drive investments in ZEV vehicle manufacturing, create clean jobs in manufacturing and infrastructure, and reduce emissions by transitioning to a clean transportation future.

Proterra is a leader in the design and manufacture of zero-emission electric transit vehicles and electric vehicle (EV) technology solutions for commercial vehicle applications. With more than 10 years of experience delivering heavy-duty electric transit vehicles, Proterra has sold over 1,300 battery electric zero emission buses to transit agencies across 43 U.S. states and Canadian provinces. With more than 135 customers, our vehicles have delivered over 30 million service miles and avoided over 150 million pounds of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Proterra has entered into partnerships to develop or supply battery systems with 14 original equipment manufacturers (OEM) powering zero-emission electric delivery vehicles and work trucks, semitrucks, construction and mining equipment, port container handlers and forklifts, school and coach buses, and low-floor cutaway shuttles.

These partnerships have signaled the readiness of various medium- and heavy-duty sectors to electrify, from Class 3 to Class 8. Proterra has invested to meet this customer demand. Several states have also exhibited leadership in the move toward zero emission transportation. California has led with the implementation of the Innovative Clean Transit rule for public transportation, the Zero-Emission Airport Shuttle rule for airport shuttles, and the Advanced Clean Truck rule for vehicle manufacturers, demonstrating the readiness of the market to meet clean transportation needs.

Transportation is the largest source of GHG emissions in the state, representing nearly 40 percent, and while the state has successfully supported the acceleration of zero-emission transportation to date, continued support for zero-emission medium- and heavy-duty vehicles will be needed to achieve the state's long-term climate and air quality goals. The proposed regulation will help spur emission reductions in these key sectors, which will benefit the state's most disadvantaged communities.

Thank you again for the opportunity to support the ACF rule. We urge the Board approve the proposed regulation.

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