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CLEAN FLEET REGULATION

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Good Morning Board Members

My name is Citlalli Islas and I'm from the community of Boyle Heights. I'm here as a youth member with East Yard Communities for Environmental Justice. I'm 17 years old, a senior in high school, where quite frankly I should be at right now but I'm here, fighting for clean air. Clean air, a basic human need, but yet it's something that my community has been fighting for ~~years~~ for years now. Growing up in this community I was surrounded by freeways where thousands of trucks pass through our community every day. As a child, not knowing that the diesel that these trucks release impacted my family, neighbors, classmates, and community members. Not knowing that the respiratory issues that the closest to me have were caused by the bad air quality. I urge you to see, look, and hear us, when we say "We are just trying to breathe". We urge you not only to adopt these regulations but to also keep making improvements to them.