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**Clerk of the Board**

**California Air Resources Board**

**1001 I Street, Sacramento, California 95814**

**RE: Title 13. Public Hearing to Consider Proposed Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation**

I write in strong opposition to the proposed Advanced Clean Fleets rule as I believe it will have significant negative ramifications on the state of California. Mandating the transition to zero emission fleets, at a time when there is limited and an extremely costly supply on the market for heavy duty ZEVs, a lack of comprehensive infrastructure in the state, and we are grappling with an unreliable grid, will only serve to drive up the costs of all goods in the state, and increase the cost of living for many of us who are just trying to survive.

It will also create immense uncertainty surrounding the availability of goods, many of which are critical necessities, if these ZEV heavy duty vehicles cannot travel at a comparable distance to their internal combustion engine counterparts. Breaks or bottlenecks in our supply chains will have extensive consequences on the economy, which could create shortages and further increase the price of goods.

This proposal will be the most damaging to our most vulnerable communities and residents in the state. I am deeply concerned with how the implementation of this regulation, and the corresponding spike in prices for goods and fuel due to the increased costs of operating heavy duty ZEVs, will impact our seniors on fixed incomes, commuters who must travel far distances to get to work because they are priced out of the cities in which they work, and every Californian who will have to bear the brunt of increased electrical bills, but most notably, our low-income households.

For these reasons, I respectfully oppose the adoption of the Advanced Clean Fleets rule.

Sincerely,

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