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Dear California Air Resource Board,

CleanEarth4Kids.org is for 100% zero-emissions for all harbor craft.

Ships are one of the worst air polluters in California and toxic exhaust from harbor craft are a major cancer risk for those living near the ports of Los Angeles, Long Beach, San Diego and Oakland. This is about racial, social, climate and environmental justice as disadvantaged communities and communities of color suffer the most from harbor pollution.

California must take steps to stop the use of diesel and other fossil fuels. We have the technology to move commercial harbor craft to 100% zero-emission right now.

We ask CARB to strengthen the Commercial Harbor Craft rule:

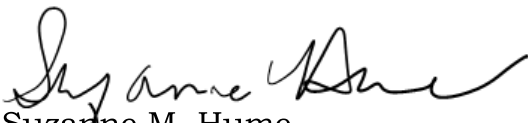
1. Require a 100% zero-emissions transition for all harbor craft by 2035, including tugboats and barges
2. Revisit the rule regularly to maximize emission reductions as new technology and innovations are developed
3. Increase funding for zero-emissions replacements and retrofits

A strong zero-emission harbor craft rule is estimated to save \$5.25 billion a year in health costs which is 2.5x more than the cost of implementation. Air pollution is linked to asthma, decreased lung function, heart disease, cancer, neurological issues like alzheimers and parkinsons along with other serious health problems.

Please take strong action to protect our air and stop the use of diesel and other fossil fuels in our ports and harbors.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



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