

October 15, 2018

Air Resources Board
Industrial Strategies Division
1001 I Street, Sacramento CA 95814

Attention: Rajinder Sahota
Assistant Division Chief
Email: Rajinder.Sahota@arb.ca.gov

Subject: Support AB 398 Cost Containment

Dear Ms. Sahota:

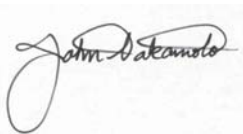
Eichleay, Inc. supports efforts to contain prices and protect California consumers during the implementation of AB 398. We urge the California Air Resources Board to focus on cost containment measures in developing a stable and replicable cap-and-trade program that will meet GHG emissions reduction goals and mitigate negative impacts to the 5th largest economy in the world.

The cap-and-trade program is a key element of California's greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction strategy. It is a market-driven approach to reducing emissions and meeting California's climate goals. Last year, when legislators passed the law, Assembly Bill 398, they directed the Air Resources Board (ARB) to consider the cost to consumers when developing their program. The ARB has ignored the legislature's direction, and instead, proposed a program that could drastically increase the costs of consumer goods to Californians.

Eichleay's 350+ employees are committed to a sustainable California economy which promotes the health and livelihood of its citizens. We significantly contribute to the area economy and living wage jobs in this region. Academics and governmental entities alike agree that if the cap-and-trade regulation isn't properly designed, it could result in household income loss, increased gas prices, and a loss of jobs.

We urge you to Contain Prices and Protect California Consumers during the implementation of AB 398. Thank you.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Sakamoto". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a faint, light-colored rectangular stamp.

John Sakamoto
Executive Vice President
Eichleay, Inc.