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Hello, members of the board, my name is Whitney Amaya and I live in West Long Beach. I am in support of the Electric Trucks Rule because I care about the health of my community.

I support this rule because my community, my family, myself deserve to breathe clean air when in our homes, going to work, and running our daily errands. We shouldn't have to deal with the smell of diesel exhaust and the headaches and sometimes nauseating feelings they provoke. And, we definitely shouldn't have to worry about the risks of asthma and cancer on top of the other emissions we have to deal with from nearby refineries, ports, railyards, and incinerator.

Our proximity to the largest Port complex in the country, the Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles, ensure that we see high levels of traffic and diesel pollution from trucks moving goods to and from the Ports. According to truck counts we have conducted in our communities, over 600 trucks pass through the 710 freeway in an hour.

We must act now, during these times, because goods movement is still essential during COVID-19 and we have learned from the pandemic that folks with existing respiratory illnesses are more vulnerable to contracting a deadly virus which makes communities like mine more susceptible to COVID-19. Corporations that can afford these technologies must practice responsible business practices.

I appreciate the board taking initiative by creating this rule, but I know it needs to be stronger, specifically for the heavy duty Class 7-8 tractors. We believe that we need to begin transitioning away from diesel and gas trucks sooner than later and **we urge the Board to raise the sales requirements for the heavy duty trucks as high as possible and vote YES on the ACT.**

Thank you.