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Good morning members of the board, my name is Adam Frankel and I live in Los Angeles. I write in support of the Electric Trucks Rule because I care about the health of my community.

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.

Additional Facts:

- There are thousands of trucks that pass behind our homes everyday. We have major freeways, railyards and ports in our neighborhoods. According to truck counts conducted by East Yard Communities for Environmental Justice in our communities, every hour there are emissions by:
 - up to 900 trucks pass through the 91/215 freeway
 - up to 1,161 trucks pass through the 60 freeway
 - Over 600 trucks pass through the 710 freeway
 - 692 trucks on 215 freeway in San Bernardino.

South Coast communities have some of the worst air quality in the world, thus leaving generations of families suffering from respiratory illnesses such as asthma, industrial allergies and other chronic issues. That needs to be addressed now.

In the South Coast, we have 34,000 freight distribution warehouses expected to grow by a third by 2040. This translates to a polluted environment that communities are left to deal with.

We have learned from the COVID 19 pandemic that folks with existing respiratory illnesses are more vulnerable to contracting a deadly virus.

And the damage that COVID can have on the lungs of those that get it, almost make it impossible to live in an environment that is polluted after it.

COVID-19 has also shown us that market based solutions do not work. Regulatory measures guarantee our communities accountability and safety.

Electrifying 5% of all fleets is a great start, but we must do more. Corporations that can afford these technologies must practice responsible business practices.

This requirement will make the technology more affordable, we must act now during these times because goods movement is still essential during COVID 19. The ACT is an innovative trend to hold business as usual responsible towards the right direction, it's not controlling but responsible for the health our lives and the planet.