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Los Angeles Area
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Redondo Beach
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Asian American Business Women Association
Asian American Economic Development Enterprise
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Association of Industrial and Commercial Producers
Beverly Hills / Greater LA Association of Realtors
Building Industry Association, LA / Ventura Counties
Building Owners & Managers Association, Greater LA
Burbank Association of Realtors
California Apartment Association, Los Angeles
California Business Roundtable
California Cannabis Industry Association
California Construction Industry and Materials Association
California Contract Cities Association
California Fashion Association
California Growers Association
California Hotel & Lodging Association
California Independent Bankers
California Independent Petroleum Association
California Life Sciences Association
California Metals Coalition
California Restaurant Association
California Small Business Alliance
California Trucking Association
Californiavotes
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Chino Valley Association of Realtors
Coalition for a Prosperous America
Community Associations Institute, Los Angeles
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Consumer Healthcare Products Association
Council on Trade and Investment for Filipino Americans
Downey Association of Realtors
Downtown Long Beach Associates
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FilmLA
FuturePorts
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Harbor Trucking Association
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Hotel Association of Los Angeles
Industry Manufacturers Council
International Warehouse Logistics Association
Japan Business Association of Southern California
Leadership for Urban Renewal Network
League of California Cities
Los Angeles Black MBA Association
Los Angeles Cleantech Incubator
Los Angeles County Bicycle Coalition
Los Angeles County Waste Management Association
Los Angeles Urban League
Los Angeles World Affairs Council
Maple Business Council
Motion Picture Association of America
MoveLA
NAACP Southern California Chapter
National Alliance for Jobs and Innovation
National Association of Women Business Owners, LA
Pacific Merchant Shipping Association
Pasadena-Foothills Association of Realtors
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San Gabriel Valley Civic Alliance
San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership
Santa Clarita Valley Economic Development Corp.
Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers - Los Angeles
South Asian Business Alliance Network
South Bay Association of Realtors
Southern California Golf Association
Southern California Orientalists
Southern California Minority Supplier Development Council Inc.
Southland Regional Association of Realtors
Town Hall Los Angeles
Tri-Counties Association of Realtors
U.S. Green Building Council-LA
Valley Economic Alliance
Valley Economic Development Center
Valley Industry & Commerce Association
Valley International Trade Association
We Care for Humanity
West San Gabriel Valley Association
Western Manufactured Housing Association
Western States Petroleum Association
Young Professionals in Energy - LA Chapter
Youth Business Alliance

Business Improvement Districts
Downtown LA
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Warner Center Association
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California Air Resources Board
1001 "I" Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: BizFed Supports ARB Staff Recommendation of Cal Poly Pomona Site for the Proposed Southern California Consolidation Project

Dear Board Members,

On behalf of BizFed, the Los Angeles County Business Federation – a grassroots alliance of over 150 top business groups representing 275,000 employers with 3 million employees throughout LA County – we are writing in support of your Staff's recommendation to relocate Southern California facilities to the proposed Cal Poly Pomona site.

Relocation to the Cal Poly Pomona campus brings not only greater opportunities for partner, stakeholder and visitor relations, but also will help ensure retention of 400 skilled jobs in the region because it will mean significantly less disruption to ARB employees' family life, daily commutes, and the environment.

ARB's own staff notes in its recommendation that proximity is a significant consideration and recognizes the Pomona site's advantages relative to supporting ARB's ability to carry out its responsibilities by minimizing travel distance and travel time.

" The proximity to the Los Angeles area minimizes the disruption to ARB staff, allows greater flexibility on where staff chooses to live, provides more flexibility for spouse/partner employment, and may facilitate recruitment and retention of staff in the future," staff writes in its recommendation. "The close proximity to the South Coast AQMD would encourage better coordination on a variety of policy and technical issues."

In addition, staff noted that approximately 85% of employees preferred the Pomona site – over Riverside - for a possible relocation facility, citing the shorter commute distance, time, and impacts on personal life and work.

For these reasons, we urge you to support the Cal Poly Pomona site for relocation. We thank you for your consideration and look forward to working with you on this project.

Sincerely,

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