

April 12, 2019

Jason Gordon Emissions Compliance, Automotive Regulations and Science Division California Air Resources Board 9528 Telstar Avenue El Monte, California 91731

Re: Public Availability of Modified Text for the Proposed Amendments to California Specifications for Fill Pipes and Openings of Motor Vehicle Fuel Tanks

Dear Mr. Gordon:

The Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers ("Alliance")¹ appreciates the opportunity to work together with yourself and other colleagues at CARB on the development of these changes to the Proposed Amendments to California Specifications for Fill Pipes and Openings of Motor Vehicle Fuel Tanks. At its recent hearing, the Board approved these proposed amendments to the fill pipe regulations, and directed the publishing of the 15day notice to the public. These amendments will introduce a new performance leak standard and specify additional dimensional specifications for new fill pipe designs.

We fully support the amendments to the fill pipe regulations.

Throughout the regulation development process, CARB staff worked closely with the SAE Refueling Interface Task Force and other initiatives to adopt changes to the fill pipe regulations and to incorporate changes to the corresponding SAE recommended practice J1140. We are grateful for your contributions to this important work.

Thank you once more for your work on the SAE Task Force and your consideration of Alliance comments.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Ms. Shobna Sahni, CARB Mr. Joshua Cunningham, CARB

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