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Carb Members,

Scientific Emission Standards, which are now not confirmed by your own committees, expects us to upgrade with finances of which we have not had the chance to budget.

For over 35 years I have been in the trucking business. I have dealt with deregulation, driver shortages, soaring cost of maintenance, worker's compensation escalating and fuel prices nearly driving us all out of the Industry.

The company I work for operates over 700 diesel equipped vehicles. In the last year, we have experienced more than a 60% decline in day to day operations. Our forecast as a global company does not see a change within the next year. We are hoping to see improvements in the year 2011.

After this discussion I need to return to my company with valid reasoning's. I need to justify why we might not be able to continue to operate business as usual due to the requirements we are being forced to follow.

We are aware that the Scientific Emission Standards is going to have a major impact in decreasing fleet sizes. We are also concerned about the smaller, independently owned trucking companies, in which we utilize, going out of business. This will also continue to hurt the status of the states economy. In my opinion, this event is the most damaging cost I have seen in my career. Please prevent this from happening.

Thank you in advance,

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