

June 29, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

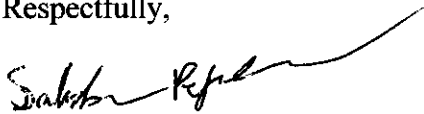
Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

My dad was a single parent and during my freshman year in high school, he passed away. I went to live with my Aunt and my older sister was put out into the streets. When I graduated from high school, my aunt told me to find another place to live. A friend from the neighborhood told me about Job Corps. I applied and was accepted into the heavy equipment program. I learned how to drive an 18 wheeler, fill out a resume, and operate heavy equipment. I graduated and went to work this year. My first job was as an oilier on a crane. Work has been slow and now I'm driving truck. With the skills I've learned at Job Corps, I've been able to find a job. I don't have to live on the streets, I can afford to pay rent and my bills. If I hadn't got into Job Corps heavy equipment program, I would have jump back into a gang.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Salvador Reyes", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Salvador Jacob Reyes
86 Thatcher Circle
Sacramento, CA 95823
714 595 2332 cell

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To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

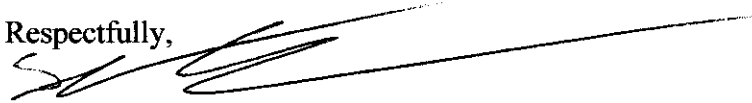
Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

My name Skyler Shearer. I graduated from high school and got a seasonal job working for a landscape company. I heard about Job Corps through my father. I enrolled into the heavy equipment program November 2004. I learned a great deal of gradesetting and basics of operating equipment. I learned employability skills to assist in staying employed and excelling at my work. Without the skills of being an operator I'd be mowing lawns for minimum wage. I've been working as an operating engineer for the past 2 years and I've averaged \$45,000.00.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,



Skyler Shearer
460 La Cresta Drive
Vacaville, CA 95688
707 447 2943 home
707 330 1518 cell

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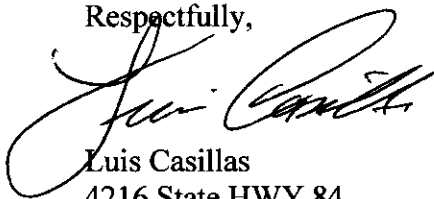
Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

Hello, my name is Luis Casillas. When I started 8th grade my father took his family back to Mexico. I went to school in Mexico for 2 year and then decided not to go to school anymore. When I was 15, I came back to the United States and started working in the fields. To supplement my income, I associated with gang members and started selling and using drugs. I stayed working in agriculture for 18 months, and then my cousin told me about Job Corps. I decided to make something of my life and started the program. I wanted to operate the big machines. I was able to get my GED, drivers' license, commercial drivers' license, and complete the heavy equipment program. As my first job, I've been working for Nordic as an operator. My dad said, "you can do anything, you just have to put your mind to it". My dad did not want to see me working out in the fields like he did. If Job Corps had not been available for me, I would still be involved in gangs.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Luis Casillas", is written over the typed name.

Luis Casillas
4216 State HWY 84
Walnut Grove, CA 95690
916 775 1488
916 270 5242 cell

June 29, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

Hi, my name is Candy Spiers. In 1994, I was a single mom on welfare, and I couldn't afford to take care of my kids the way I wanted to. My sister was taking cement at Job Corps and I took a tour and saw the heavy equipment program and decided to enroll. I gained all my skills I need to enter into the apprenticeship. I gained the confidence to go into the work place and complete my apprenticeship and become a journeyman. I'm now able to put my two children into college, I own my own home, and I'm the lead person with a company pickup for Teichert. The path I was taking before Job Corps, was leading me to depend on the social government system. Because of Job Corps, I can contribute to my community rather than rely on welfare.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Candy Spiers". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Candy Spiers
6903 Palm Avenue
Fair Oaks, CA 95628
916 967 4387

June 29, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

My name is Mavis Y. McAllister I'm a graduate of the Los Angeles Job Corps; during the year of 1980's I was not to sure of what kind of career to choose , I met a women that worked for the EDD in Compton CA. Mrs. Brown provide me with information on the Los Angeles Job Corp. During that year I thought I want to become a nurse but that career did not fit me. So I join the Los Angeles Job Corp and join a program at that time call NAHB and was given an opportunity to learn carpentry , electrical and plumbing for the construction trade because of this I learn some valuable hand on experience, at the end of my training I became a Carpenter apprenticeship is a State approved Apprenticeship program . Because of the training I was able to build bridge a heavy highway industry all over Southern and Northern California. Now because of my training with the Los Angeles Job Corp I'm proud to say I've been a Union member for the past twenty five years and has been employed as Union Representative with the Northern California Carpenters for the past nine years, without training from the Los Angeles Job Corps program, I don't know where I would be today. Programs such as pre-apprentices like Job Corp give young people a chance to gain skills to have an opportunity to become union members to earn a livable wage and benefits for their whole families and a pension just like me. This program took me out of Compton California and gave me a chance to become a homeowner in the Elk Grove California area to this day.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,



Mavis Y. McAllister
5421 Jade Creek Way
Elk Grove, CA 95758
(916) 684-9890 home
(916) 548-8369 cell

June 26, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

I graduated from high school and went to work at a country club it was a good job making decent wages. I started hanging out with a bunch of bad influences and got caught smoking weed on the job and was fired. From there it went down hill, I could only get minimum wage jobs with just a high school education. So I went back to school while working two jobs and it lasted a couple of semesters then I had to drop out. When I finally decided to go to job Corps, I new I needed to clean up; so I quit hanging out with my friends that were dragging me down, and enrolled in the Job Corps heavy equipment program. I've learned; responsible, accountability for my own actions, work ethics, and able to keep myself busy with apart time job working 60+ hours after trade. I learned that there is more to life than just getting high. With goals and a life plan, I was able to marry a supportive, responsible bride: that would not have happened, if I had stayed on my other path of self destruction. This program changed my life. I will be graduating in August 07, and will be indentured into the apprenticeship program and start my new career as an operating engineer.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully



Juan Silva
6317 Ehrhardt Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95823
916 799 3263

June 28, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

My name is Luis Herrera; I did graduate from high school and started my own business doing underground work. My business failed, because of no money. I found out about this program and enrolled in Job Corps and pursued the mechanics trade. I am successfully working as a yard man and a truck driver making \$17.00 an hour. Job Corps helped me mature into a marketable employee.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Luis Herrera', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Luis Herrera
7370 West Park Way
Sacramento, CA 95823
916 275 4568

June 26, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

Hi, my name is Michael Harr. I dropped out of high school but went to adult education and got my GED. I'm relatively new to Job Corps, but I came here because a friend told me about the program. I want the career as an operator so I can earn enough money to support a family some day. I lived in a rural community with no public transportation nor did I have reliable transportation. I had exhausted all my resources for an education or career. I'm now in the heavy equipment program and would like to complete this training to be an operator.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael Harr".

Michael Harr
14655 Shenandoah Road
Plymouth, CA 95669
209 245 4181
916 398 0418 cell

June 26, 2007

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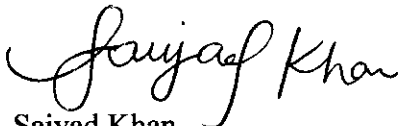
Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

Hello, I am Saiyad Khan. I graduated from high school in 2005. I kept a full time job in retail sales while I was in school. I attended CRC College, studying general subjects for 2 semesters until I came to Job Corps heavy equipment mechanics program. I'm currently enrolled in the heavy equipment training program for the past 8 months. So far I've learned how to weld stick & mig, operate a fork lift, repair electrical systems, install charging systems, differentials, oxyacetylene cutting torch, brakes and clutches, and install and repair transmissions.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Saiyad Khan".

Saiyad Khan
3815 Lopez Island Road
West Sacramento, CA 95691
916 373 1686
916 743 3175 cell

June 26, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

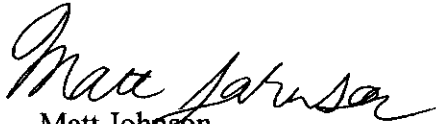
Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

My name is Matt Johnson. I'm a graduate of high school, and I attended junior college, focusing on mechanics, until I could figure out how to go to a school that taught heavy equipment. I heard about Job Corps through my parents, and found the center that provided equipment operator training. I've been enrolled at Job Corps for 6 months and I would like to finish my trade.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Matt Johnson".

Matt Johnson
522 Brownwyn Glen
Santa Rosa, CA 95409
707 538 3674
707 236 2764 cell

June 26, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

My name is Michael Austin, I am 17 years old and I'm going to share my story. I started my family early: I have a beautiful little girl, named Amira, who is 10 months old. After she was born, I got kicked out of high school my junior year for fighting. I didn't know how I was going to get my life together to be responsible for my family. My girlfriend, Airma and child are living with her mother and Airma is trying to get her GED. I've never had a job before, and after I quit school, my friend told me about Job Corps. I've been in Job Corps for 2 months and I'm now enrolled in the heavy equipment operators' program. I picked being an operator because I felt it would give me the better opportunity to raise my daughter. I don't want her growing up on the South Side. Currently, I'm enrolled in GED and trade. I've set goals for myself; I want to get my GED, finish heavy equipment and become an operator, and support my girlfriend and my daughter Amira in our own house.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael Austin". The script is cursive and somewhat informal.

Michael Austin Jr.
60800 Cunningham Way
Sacramento, CA 95828
916 381 5591

June 26, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

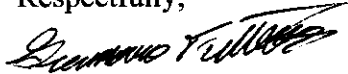
Dear Board Members:

When I finished high school, I started working construction jobs for cash, piece work. I have a great interest in being a mechanic. I worked on my cars out of the garage. I tried college, but that wasn't for me. I found a flyer about Job Corps on the floor at Target and made the steps to enroll. I've been in the mechanics' program for 6 months. Since I've been in the heavy equipment mechanics program, I've learned; hydraulics, air brakes, stick welding, lube truck, & received my forklift certification.

I think that the Job Corps' heavy equipment should stay open for the people enrolling after me, because you never know when Job Corps could be the last chance for success in that person's life.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,



Guillermo Fuentes
1020 West Oak Street
Stockton, CA 95203
209 922 9444 cell
209 467 3762

June 26, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

After graduating from high school, I was getting into trouble fighting, hanging out on the street corner and in front of the store. I had gang affiliations, and I was participating in doing gang activities. I was on a path of going to jail for 10-15 years or dieing. I knew I had to make a change and I moved in with my sister in Yuba City to get away from the streets. I had a few jobs but my attitude got in the way of keep them. Since I've been here, I learned discipline and have goals for 3-5 years from now instead of today. I used to take life as, "what happens, happens". Now I'm more mature and I'm learning to think like a man. I've got my CDL, forklift, and lower level completion of my trade. Job Corps taught me life skills; like how to look for a job, work ethics, how to keep a checkbook, how to interview for a job, and skills on how to behave on the job. I'm scheduled for advanced training on Toyota vehicles and heavy haul diesel engines. I never saw myself able to achieve anything. Job Corps gives you light at the end of the tunnel, and keeps your hopes and dreams alive of one day succeeding.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terrence Patrick", written in a cursive style.

Terrence Patrick
1651B Hooper Road
Yuba City, CA 95993
916 2713924 cell

June 26, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

Before I came to Job Corps, I was hanging out with people that wasn't doing right and not going to school. I dropped out of school my junior year. I worked a couple of part time jobs that didn't last very long. I was just hanging around doing nothing till I hear about Job Corps. Since I've been here, I've enrolled in the heavy equipment program and I'm working on my GED. I've only been in Job Corps for a few months, but I want to finish my trade and be an operating engineer.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,



Najjee Woodlyn
5545 Sky Parkway Apt., 214
Sacramento, CA 95823
916 421 6094
916 370 4580

June 14, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

My family moved here from Russia 15 years ago hoping to find a better life and a future for their kids. I graduated from high school and sat around at home for about a year with out any goals or plan for the future. My parents kept telling me to go to school or get a job, "You either work with your head or your hands." Then I heard about Job Corps. I've been in Job Corps for a year and I have a goal to finish the trade. I want to start working and help out the family and someday have a wife and a house of my own. I wouldn't have had a career, if it wasn't for Job Corps. With out Job Corps, I would have gotten a part time job working for cash, but I would never know if I was working the next day. I am grateful that I go to the Heavy Equipment Program and it will mean my future if this program was shut down.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dmitriy Okunev', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dmitriy Okunev
4370 Racetrack Road
Rocklin, CA 95677
916 204 4804

June 14, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

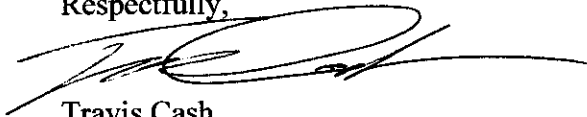
Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

My name is Travis Cash and I come from Clear Lake, California. I was in continuation school ½ days and doing nothing with my life. I was living off of friends, because I was kicked out of the house. I heard about Job Corps through my step dad, because he had gone to the one in Washington State. I figured that I wasn't doing nothing, so I agree to go to Job Corps. Since I've been in Job Corps, it changed my life. I have a better relationship with my parents and I can stay there on weekends. They see that I'm trying to do something with my life. Job Corps help me clean up my act; drugs and alcohol. I'm living life like it's supposed to be lived instead of wasting it. I like working outside and the heavy equipment program is teaching me what I 'm going to need to be a good employee. If I hadn't gone to Job Corps, I'd pretty much be living outside as a bum or in jail. I'd be in trouble with a lot of people over money, just wasting my life.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Travis Cash', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Travis Cash
3100 Meadowview Road
Sacramento, CA 95832
707 350-4752

June 14, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

My parents came from Mexico with 6 kids 10 years ago, so their children would have a better life and their boys would have a better career. I graduated from high school and started working doing lath and plaster work. They would work me 10 hours a day but only pay me for 8, so I quit. I wanted to be an operator and get into a union so I came to Job Corps. I've graduated from the operators program and I'm in the apprenticeship program. If I hadn't got into Job Corps, I would have had to get a loan to go to a vocational school. There are no guarantees that I would have gotten into the apprenticeship.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alejandro Barajas". The script is cursive and fluid.

Alejandro Barajas
457 Sunset Drive
Galt, CA 95632
209 810 7616
209 745 9548

June 14, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

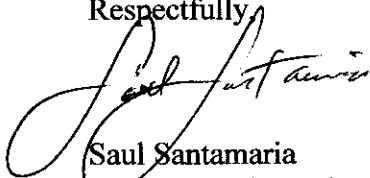
Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

I didn't finish high school because I was gang banging and people were always looking for me to shoot or shank me, so I dropped out of school. I got with my girl and had a daughter and started working but didn't make enough to support my family. I was working for a temp agency for 8 dollars an hour with no benefits for my family. Luis, my friend told me about Job Corps. He said that heavy equipment would be a good job that would take care of my family and straighten me out. My family had to move into my parents' house, so I could go to Job Corps. I got a part time job on the evenings and weekends to help with the cost to my parents. I've been at Job Corps for 9 months; I've got my CDL, and I'm learning equipment operator. I planned to be working by next year as an operator enrolled into the apprenticeship. All my hopes to take care of my family are here. My daughter, Aviana, is a year and 7 months. I want a better life for her than I had. I would like my daughter to look up to her father.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Saul Santamaria", written over a printed name.

Saul Santamaria
829 Cambridge Drive
Stockton, CA 95207
209 981 7380

June 14, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b) SAVE Job Corps Training Program

Dear Board Members:

My name is Jagbir Dosanjh, I live in the town of Hughson. I graduated from high school, but I didn't know what to do, so I tried Delta College for 1 ½ years, but it was too hard for me. I had wanted to be an operator after I graduated high school, but I didn't know how it get into the industry. I heard about Job Corps from a friend and found out that they had heavy equipment and I enrolled. Currently, I am still in the program, but I have completed truck driving and I am working on my practical skills for operating equipment, and gradesetting. I probable have another year left to graduate. I don't know what I would do for sure, especially after investing so much time trying to get into the career of my choice, but this program has helped me and so may others before me, it would be a shame to loose Job Corp as an option for a livable wage and to fulfill my goals to become an operator.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully Submitted,



Jagbir Dosanjh
5342 Roeding Road
Hughson, CA 95326
209 499 0166

June 8, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b), SAVE JOB CORPS PROGRAM

Dear Board Members:

My name is Albino Espinoza, I just graduated from the heavy equipment mechanics' program at the Sacramento Job Corps. Allow me to give you some history about my life. Before I came to job corps, I had a job for 12 dollars an hour supporting my wife and 2 kids. I had higher expectations for myself and family. With my education and training, I had reached the highest pay I could earn as a merchandiser. I needed a career and Job Corps gave me the skills to start my career. With out Job Corps, I would not be able to support my family with a good paying job and benefits. With the skills I learned at Job Corps, I can now reach the goals I set for myself and for my family. Please consider exempting the Job Corps program, because without this program other students would not be able to achieve their goals.

Please consider the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,



Albino Espinoza
1409 Inspiration Drive
Modesto, CA 95357
209 450-7066

June 7, 2007

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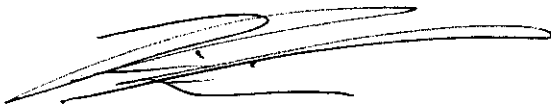
Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

My name is Ridge Sjogren, I'm a graduate of the Sacramento Job Corps Heavy Equipment Program. I am recommending that the board consider an exemption for the Heavy Equipment Training Program at Sacramento. Prior to enrolling at Job Corps, the only work I could find was for minimum wage as a waiter at a restaurant. Job Corps gave me the skills to be able to operate equipment. This program has helped me with hands on skills with equipment and safety. They gave me the skills I needed to get into the union. With out this program, my chances of getting into construction work were very slim. I now have the chance to have a career and make \$17.07 plus benefits.

Please consider the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ridge Sjogren', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Ridge Sjogren
13945 West Walnut Grove Road
Walnut Grove, CA 95690
209 747 0532

June 18, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

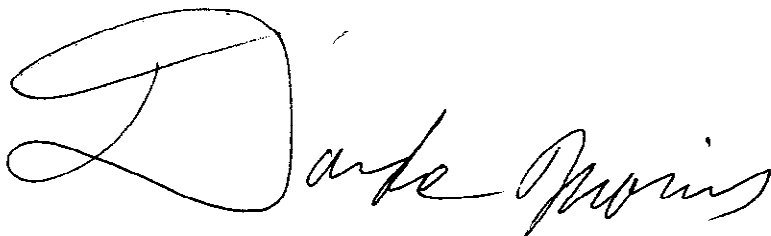
When I was in 5th grade, I got involved with gangs; selling drugs, fights, guns and hanging out doing drugs. I left school in 8th grade. I was in and out of juvenile hall. I only went to high school the first week. I'd go to parties, and one night we were having fun drinking, doing drugs and dancing when some guys standing outside the front of the house started shooting through the windows, walls, and front door. My partner dancing next to me got hit in the head and die. Four others at the party got injured. Two years later I'm about 18, I was in a car with my uncle and we were riding around Oak Park and we parked in a drive way and a dude pulled up along side of us and emptied his clip into my uncle. I ran down the street to my cousin's house. Later, my grandma told me to come live with her and she told me I had to go to Job Corps. My dad just got out of jail last year and my mom moved to Ohio. My grand dad and my whole family are gang bangers.

I've been in the heavy equipment program for 2 years. The way to stay out of trouble is to make legal money. If I had stayed out on the streets, I was just waiting my turn to go to jail, get shot, or dead. I've enrolled into the apprenticeship to be an operating engineers and I am waiting for my first job. With out Job Corps, I would have been just another statistic.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

DAndre Morris
7356 Stockdale Road
Sacramento, CA 95822
916 271 5274

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "DAndre Morris". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. The first name "DAndre" is written with a large, stylized "D" that loops around the "A". The last name "Morris" is written in a more standard cursive script.

June 18, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

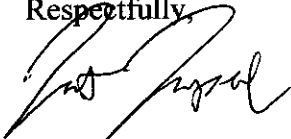
Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

My dad died with I was 12. My mom was on drugs throughout my childhood. I started doing drugs my freshman year of high school. I quit school my sophomore year and started working painting and setting tile for cash. I was living with a friend and he talked me into going back to school to get a GED. I quit doing drugs and got my GED. I could not afford to pay rent anymore, so I had to move back in with my mom . I applied to Job Corps, because I've always wanted to be an operating engineer. I've been here a little over a year, and I'm looking forward to working as an operator. If I hadn't got into Job Corps, I'd be doing drugs and living on the streets.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,



Kurt Knuepel
9341 Emily Street
Elk Grove, CA 95624
916 685 8210
916 670 9394 cell

June 18, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

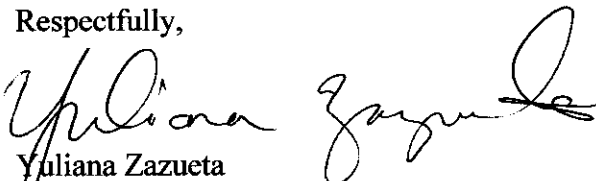
Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

My mother would take me to the fields in the summer to work since, I was 14. My mom and step day raised 9 kids. My junior year, I left school and moved out of the house to work full time. My mom wouldn't let me live in the house because I was pregnant and not married. I had to go on welfare. I worked two jobs; I worked as a cashier for minimum wage and sold water for commission. When I turned 20, I left my daughter, Alma who was 3 1/2 with her dad. I needed to find a better life for me and my daughter. I took my savings and bought a bus ticket to Sacramento. When I arrived, I got a hotel and started looking for work. I saw a sign posted in a café and I called and got the job. I started working the next day in a restaurant. I had been working 3 months in the kitchen when Job Corps trainees, who were participating in work base learning at the restaurant, told me about the program. I've been in the heavy equipment Job Corps program for 10 months. I earned my GED and my permit for a driver's license during this time. My daughter is now 4 years old. I only see her once a month. I miss her, but I stay because I want to work and make money to bring her up her to stay with me. I have another year left in this program to gain the skills I'll need to do something with my life. I want my daughter to know that I worked hard and that I love her.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,



Yuliana Zazueta
1100 Meadowview Road
Sacramento, CA 95832
916 271 8119 cell

June 11, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

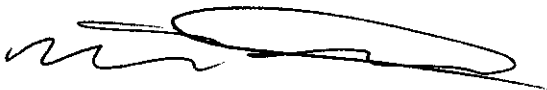
Re: Amendment to section 2449(b), SAVE JOB CORPS PROGRAM

Dear Board Members:

My mother passed away when I was 12 and my dad passed away when I was 19. I had to move to Arizona and live with my sister. I found employment as a helper on a construction job for 7 dollars an hour. I heard about Job Corps through a friend and came to Sacramento Job Corps. I spent nearly 2 years in the heavy equipment program. I got my certifications, CDL, and an opportunity to sign into the union. I'm currently making \$17.01 and full benefits as an equipment operator. I never would have learned the craft if it hadn't of been for this program.

Please consider the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,



Michael Scotto Di Carlo
7454 Greenhaven Dr., Apt. 210
Sacramento, CA 95831
916 317 7835

June 11, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b), SAVE JOB CORPS PROGRAM

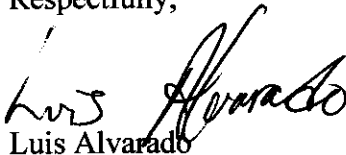
Dear Board Members:

Before coming to Job Corps, I lived in Washington State with my parents. I graduated from high school in Washington and started working in warehouses making \$6.75 an hour. I've always had a job since I was 15 year old. I found myself getting into trouble, by going to parties and drinking. I spent all the money on myself and didn't give any to my family.

I've always wanted to be an operator. But there were not programs available to me. My friend told me about the Sacramento Job Corps heavy equipment operator program, and I've graduated after a year and 7 months. I learned how to grade set, drive truck, understand construction trade safety and be more responsible. If I hadn't come to job corps I would be a disappointment to my parents.

Please consider the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Luis Alvarado", is written over the printed name.

Luis Alvarado
4845 Greensboro Way
Stockton, CA 95207
209 952 8051
209 518 7069

June 11, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b), SAVE JOB CORPS PROGRAM

Dear Board Members:

I came from a dysfunctional family; my parents did drugs and were violent to us kids. Our family was evicted on a regular basis. My family got split up when I was 14, my brothers and sisters (5) were split up by CPS. I moved in with my grandparents. I dropped out of high school and got arrested. My Aunt told me about Job Corps. I could get a high school diploma and a career. I have spent the last 2 year learning my trade, work skills, received my class A & C, forklift certified, hazardous endorsements, and high school diploma. I am now enrolled into the operating engineers apprenticeship program awaiting dispatch. If I hadn't enrolled into Job Corps I'd be homeless or in jail.

Please consider the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,



Nathan Pierce
8 Casa Linda Court
Sacramento, CA 95822
916 254 8385

June 19, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

When I was 7 years old, my mother abandoned her three children. My older sister and brother had to quit high school to earn money to support the three of us. We were evicted after 3 months and we lived in an abandon car by the park. My brother resorted to selling drugs and my sister went to work part time at Mc Donalds to keep me in school. Around 9 year of age, I started hanging out with gang members and it went down hill from there. I started drinking and doing drugs and other acts of violence. We moved around lot between relatives and friends. Around 10 years of age, my mother showed back up into the picture. I got back into school, but I kept my gang affiliation. I had a knife on school grounds and I threaten someone with it and I was kicked out of school and placed on probation. At 15, I ended up at juvenile hall, Boy's Ranch, and youth center. I wasn't released until 17 year old. I went right back to the gangs; selling drugs, committing violence, steeling cars, and doing whatever to make me money. When I turned 18, I heard about Job Corps, but I had to wait till my probation ended. I decided to turn my head around. My friends had ended up dead or in prison. I started going to church for support. I spent 2 ½ years in the heavy equipment program. I got my CDL, which I use today to support my wife and two children. If I hadn't found Job Corps, I would be dead.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alberto Curiel', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Alberto Curiel
6500 47th Street, Apt., 54
Sacramento, CA 95823
916 437 8627

June 25, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

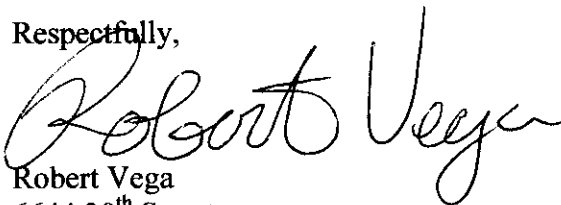
Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

My name is Robert Vega and I would like to tell you my story. When I was 17, I started hanging out with the wrong people. When I was a junior in high school, I started getting into fights and my attendance was poor and I was kicked out of school. I thought life was for free; I could do anything, go anywhere, live anywhere from house to house without any responsibility. I'd work sometime; working temporary jobs or seasonal work for the last 3 years. I was running out of relatives to live with. I heard about Job Corps August of last year. I've learned a lot of skills, chores, committee meetings, being responsible for myself and my craft, heavy equipment operator. I would like to finish my trade and hope that you will consider the following paragraph.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert Vega". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Robert" being more prominent than the last name "Vega".

Robert Vega
6644 30th Street
Sacramento, CA 95822
916 422 1730

June 25, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

I came to Job Corps directly after high school. My dad, brothers, and uncle all operate equipment for a living. I wanted to learn everything I can about this career I've chosen. I'm doing well in trade and plan to go to the advanced survey program after I finish heavy equipment. I would like to finish this program and request that you consider the paragraph below.

Please insert the follow exemption that could be written into section 2449 (b) by adding to the last paragraph of (b) (State approved apprenticeship training programs and other non profit or not for profit organization who utilize off road equipment solely for the purpose of training are exempt from the provisions of this regulations).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Emmanuel Verduzco". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Emmanuel Verduzco
997 Messick Road
Yuba City, CA 95991
530 674 3130
530 713 2618

June 25, 2007

To: Board Members of the Air Resources Board

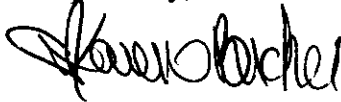
Re: Amendment to section 2449(b)

Dear Board Members:

I came to Job Corps after I graduated from high school. I was interested in a vocation as a career. I met the heavy equipment instructor at a job fair and knew that being an operator was the career path I wanted. I've been in the heavy equipment program for 1 year and I've been given the opportunity to become comfortable with operating equipment safely. I have already completed truck driving, forklift, CPR & first aid. I want to finish my training at Job Corps and start my career.

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Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karen Bucher", written in a cursive style.

Karen Bucher
112 Oakmeade Court
Vacaville, CA 95687
707 447 1157
707 450 7007