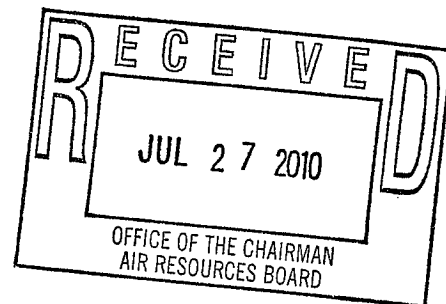


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July 22, 2010



Re: SB 375 Regional Greenhouse Gas Targets

Dear Chairman Nichols,

Thank you for your leadership on climate change policy and for encouraging the California Air Resources Board to support public health by establishing the most ambitious regional greenhouse gas reduction targets possible under SB 375.

Establishing strong targets will clearly signal the need for a departure from business as usual sprawl and support more sustainable communities throughout California where residents have healthier alternatives to driving – either walking, biking or transit; or, if a vehicle is necessary, using a clean alternative to petroleum based fuels.

Improving California's land use and transportation planning processes to reduce our dependency on driving (and when driving is necessary, reducing our reliance on traditional fuels) offers a wide range of benefits to our communities. Together with addressing our ongoing air pollution-related public health crisis and cutting our contributions to climate change, reducing our thirst for petroleum products traditionally used to fuel that excessive dependency on driving will 1) lessen our reliance on such products, 2) reduce the U.S.'s negative balance of trade thus benefiting the economy of all States and enabling economic resources to better address environmental challenges, 3) lessen the likelihood of further environmental disasters caused by stretching our petroleum production technology to the limit (e.g. BP Horizon), and 4) reduce the likelihood of conflict resulting from competition to secure such products. The adoption of tough regional greenhouse gas reduction targets under SB375 will advance all of these goals, support public health, and reduce environmental impacts (not just with respect to air, but other areas as well).

Please continue to support public health by establishing strong regional greenhouse gas targets.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "SRS".

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