



## City of HUNTINGTON PARK California

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Ms. Mary Nichols Chairperson California Air Resources Board 1001 I Street P.O. Box 2815 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: City of Huntington Park Comments on Air Resources Board Proposed Scoping Plan

Dear Ms. Nichols:

On behalf of the City of Huntington Park, thank you for the opportunity to comment on the California Air Resources Board's (ARB) Proposed Scoping Plan (Scoping Plan).

While the City of Huntington Park is generally supportive of a number of programs and policies outlined in the Scoping Plan, it is crucial for state policymakers take account for the means that will be needed to achieve the goals. AB 32 requires that reductions in GHG emissions must achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost effective reductions and for the ARB to "consider the cost-effectiveness of these regulations." (HSC §38560) In addition, we believe that the Scoping Plan appropriately allow the SB 375 process to develop regional transportation-related GHG targets. Implementation of the regional planning processes in SB 375 are new and largely untested. The 5 MMT figure, while a place holder nevertheless sets an appropriate benchmark that helps assure that the state can achieve its overall 2020 goal."

As both the state and local governments are faced with critical budget shortages, additional costs to heavily invest in GHG emission technologies in the next 2 to 3 years will become more burdensome for local governments. While local governments can influence development design to a certain extent, the reality is that developers will only build projects that will be purchased by willing customers and that are profitable. In order to effect the desired change, incentives must be provided Ms. Mary Nichols Chairperson of the California Air Resources Board Re: Air Resources Board Proposed Scoping Plan November 19, 2008 Page 2

to the development community and local agencies in order to encourage more development in areas where the reductions in GHG emissions will be the greatest. The City of Huntington Park strongly encourages the ARB to consider these limitations as it moves forward with the Scoping Plan.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment. The City of Huntington Park looks forward to working with the ARB in the future.

Sincerely,

Gregory D. Korduner, City Manager

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cc: League of California Cities, 1400 K Street, Sacramento, CA 95864