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June 21, 2007

Mr. Robert Sawyer, Chairman
California Air Resources Board
Post Office Box 2815
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Marsha McLean
Mayor

Subject: Proposed State Strategy for the California State Implementation Plan for the Federal 8-Hour Ozone and PM 2.5 Standards

Bob Kellar
Mayor Pro Tem

Dear Chairman Sawyer:

Tim Ben Boydston
Councilmember

The City of Santa Clarita (City) appreciates the California Air Resources Board's (CARB) meeting in southern California to address this critically important issue. The City of Santa Clarita supports the 2007 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) as submitted by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD). This plan continues to implement measures to improve the health of our citizens.

Frank Ferry
Councilmember

The CARB actions on the urban transit rule, refuse collection fleet rule, cargo handling equipment, and sulfur content in gasoline fuel have not resulted in enough air quality improvement in the Santa Clarita Valley. The proposed State Implementation Plan does not provide adequate emissions reductions, but depends on Weight of Evidence. No new technology or measures are being implemented that could possibly meet the emissions reductions needed in our region by 2014 and 2023. This will continue to harm our community, increase asthma attacks and lung damage in children and elderly, and not comply with the Clean Air Act. We urge CARB to continue dialog with the SCAQMD to approve a State Implementation Plan that will meet our needs, as well as the State as a whole. By working together, we can protect the health of communities by helping to provide clean air for current and future generations.

Laurene Weste
Councilmember

Sincerely,



Marsha McLean
Mayor

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Ken Pulskamp, City Manager
Robert Newman, Director of Public Works
Michael Murphy, Intergovernmental Relations Officer

