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California Air Resources Board  
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Subject: New Diesel Truck Regulations

Your Board is contemplating the adoption of highly restrictive regulations that will have a profound negative effect on not only our business but the whole California economy. It is unbelievable to me that you can consider requiring retrofitting the existing over the road fleet which is going to be highly inefficient, increase fuel consumption, probably reduce engine life and produce very little benefit in the rural areas of Northern California where we operate.

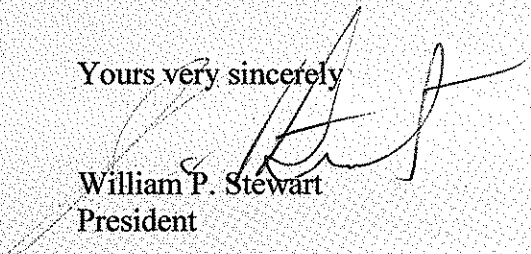
At the present time we do not have a satisfactory system which is engineered for most of our diesel trucks. Further, I am told that our mechanics will not be authorized to service the exhaust system and because we transport flammable gas will provide a source of ignition for any discharge which will create an extremely hazardous condition.

This regulation devalues our fleet and will not sell or afford to replace with new equipment. It is beyond belief that you could not take into account the billions of dollars this modification will require. Going into a financial crisis you are going to drive thousands of business into closing or bankruptcy.

I understand that the proposed "Driving Towards a Cleaner California Coalition" has a good alternative. I recommend you consider it.

I understand the CARB objective of cleaner air which I support but this present CARB proposal is beyond comprehension.

Yours very sincerely



William P. Stewart  
President