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**Public Notice of Preparation of a Draft Report to the Legislature on Control of
NOx Emissions from Seasonal Sources in the San Joaquin Valley
as Required by AB 2283**

Dear Sir/Madam:

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) has prepared a draft report to the Legislature on control of oxides of nitrogen (NOx) emissions from seasonal sources in the San Joaquin Valley as required by Assembly Bill (AB) 2283. The legislation requires ARB, in consultation with an advisory committee composed of representatives from the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District (District), environmental organizations, stationary sources, seasonal stationary sources, agriculture and United States Environmental Protection Agency, to investigate and provide the report to the Legislature by January 1, 2002.

The draft report contains a discussion of specified matters with respect to emissions abatement equipment required by the District for control of NOx emissions from seasonal sources operating in the San Joaquin Valley. Specifically, the legislation requires ARB to investigate: a) the average useful life of emissions abatement equipment used to meet Best Available Control Technology (BACT) or Best Available Retrofit Control Technology (BARCT) for NOx emissions; b) the implications of imposing additional air pollution control requirements on sources that meet BACT/BARCT requirements; c) the average, actual, and historical costs of complying with BACT/BARCT requirements; and d) the implications of applying incremental costs to projects subject to those requirements. The draft report takes into account air quality and public health considerations, growth, and interbasin transport of air pollutants from other regions.

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our Website: <http://www.arb.ca.gov>.

California Environmental Protection Agency

Sir/Madam:

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Comments on the draft report may be provided during the 30-day period following the date of this notice. Written comments should be submitted to Mr. Bob Rogen at the following address:

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Comments may also be sent via e-mail to: rrogen@arb.ca.gov.

A copy of the draft report is available to download, at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/noxdoc/noxdoc.htm>. A hardcopy can be obtained by calling Mr. Bob Rogen at (916) 322-2052.

Sincerely,

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