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Catherine Dunwoody is chief of the fuel cell program at the California Air Resources Board. She leads the agency's work to advance fuel cell electric vehicles and hydrogen fuel in multiple sectors and promotes commercialization of zero-emission vehicles as California's staff lead on the ZEV Task Force. As executive director of the California Fuel Cell Partnership from 1999 to 2014, Catherine created the collaborative round table for industry competitors and government agencies to jointly overcome challenges. In that role she grew the organization from a fuel cell vehicle demonstration program to a globally recognized leader in promoting hydrogen fuel cell electric vehicle commercialization.

Catherine has long championed the cause for clean air and a better environment, having started her career at the California Air Resources Board in 1985 as a laboratory chemist. In 2011 Automotive News named Catherine as one of the "Electrifying 100" most influential players in the move to electric drive vehicles. She currently serves on the U.S. Department of Energy's Hydrogen Technical Advisory Committee (HTAC) and the operational steering committee of H2USA. Catherine is a proud Aggie (UC Davis, Biochemistry) and enjoys driving ZEVs – her Chevy Spark EV and her commuter bicycle.