TO: All Passenger Car Manufacturers
All Light-Duty Truck and Medium-Duty Vehicle Manufacturers
All Other Interested Parties

SUBJECT: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CALIFORNIA EXHAUST,
EVAPORATIVE, AND ONBOARD REFUELING VAPOR
RECOVERY EMISSION STANDARDS AND TEST
PROCEDURES FOR PASSENGER CARS, LIGHT-DUTY TRUCKS
AND MEDIUM-DUTY VEHICLES

In a Board hearing scheduled for November 1998, staff will propose substantial
modifications to California’s Low-Emission Vehicle regulations pursuant to the requirements of
Measure M2 -- Improved Control Technologies for Light-Duty Vehicles -- of California’s State
Implementation Plan (“SIP”). The amendments to the LEV regulations will affect passenger cars,
light-duty trucks and medium-duty vehicles and will include the creation of a new light-duty truck
category, lower tailpipe standards, lower fleet average requirements, a zero evaporative and
refueling emission standard, modifications to the Supplemental Federal Test Procedure,
modifications to the hybrid electric vehicle test procedures, smog index label modifications and an
update on reactivity adjustment factors. Even though the Board hearing is not scheduled until
November 1998, due to the nature and scope of the modifications being proposed staff is
conducting a workshop to discuss the preliminary proposal.

Date: December 9, 1997
Time: 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Location: Annex IV
9530 Telstar Avenue
El Monte, California

If necessary, the workshop may be continued on December 10, 1997.

An electronic version of this notice and draft Preliminary Staff Report will be available on
ARB’s web page at www.arb.ca.gov under the Mobile Source Programs heading. All documents
relating to the LEV II November 1998 Board hearing will be contained under the heading entitled
“LEV II.”
The draft Preliminary Staff Report of the modifications being proposed by staff is also attached to this notice. Questions regarding the proposal should be directed to the following staff:

- Proposed LEV II standards: Ms. Annette Guerrero, (626) 575-6717
- Supplemental FTP standards: Ms. Kathleen Nolan, (626) 575-6621
- Zero-evaporative emission standards: Ms. Kathleen Nolan, (626) 575-6621
- Partial ZEV Credits: Mr. C.T. Muthukumar (626) 575-6776
- Hybrid Test Procedures: Mr. Mike O’Connor (626) 350-6462
- Smog Index Label: Ms. Sarah Carter (626) 575-6845
- Reactivity Adjustment Factors: Ms. Sarah Carter (626) 575-6845

Sincerely,

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Attachment