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Dear Transportation Service Provider:

The Air Resources Board (ARB) is currently proposing to amend the Fleet Rule for Transit Agencies to add requirements for reducing emissions of particulate matter and oxides of nitrogen from all buses and vehicles operated by transit agencies, in addition to the urban buses currently subject to the rule. We need your help to inventory these vehicles, which will help us to develop regulations that accurately reflect emission benefits and are cost effective. We are asking you to fill out the attached survey and return it to us by December 31, 2003.

The purpose of the survey is to collect information on the buses and diesel trucks that are not currently being reported to ARB under the Fleet Rule for Transit Agencies. These may be "free" or no fare buses and used for fixed route or on-demand services, such as dial-a-ride service or service vehicles. We need to know the number of these vehicles, various vehicle and engine characteristics, and your typical vehicle or engine replacement schedule. Information on the engine will be found on a label or plate on the engine. Please be aware that the engine year and the chassis year may be different due to engine replacement.

If you currently report to the ARB for compliance to our Fleet Rule for Transit Agencies, please submit information using the survey that is attached to the 2004 reporting form.

If you have any questions regarding this survey, please contact Kathleen Mead at (916) 324-9550 or kmead@arb.ca.gov. You can e-mail the survey to Ms. Mead, fax it to her at (916) 322-3923, or mail it to: Ms. Kathleen Mead, ARB, Mobile Source Control Division, 1001 I Street, P.O. Box 2815, Sacramento, California 95812. Thank you for your support in this effort.

Sincerely,

Robert H. Cross, Chief
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cc: Ms. Kathleen Mead, MSCD

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>.

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