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TO: All Interested Parties

SUBJECT: WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS AFTERMARKET PARTS CERTIFICATION
REQUIREMENTS FOR OFF-VEHICLE CHARGE CAPABLE
CONVERSION SYSTEMS (PLUG-IN HYBRIDS OR PHEV)

Air Resources Board (ARB or the Board) staff invites you to participate in a public workshop on March 25, 2009 in Sacramento, California, to discuss modifications to the proposed certification and installation procedures for off-vehicle charge capable conversion systems.

The proposed procedures were publicly noticed in the initial statement of reasons and included test procedures for off-vehicle charge capable hybrid electric vehicles (HEV) also known as PHEV. At the January 23, 2009 Board Hearing, the Board approved the test procedures with modifications and directed staff to meet with conversion system manufacturers to see if additional flexibility could be incorporated into the aftermarket part certification requirements. The Board requested that staff report back with their findings in a few months time. This workshop is the fourth workshop on this item and the discussion will focus on requirements for aftermarket kits converting HEVs to PHEVs.

Details of the workshop are as follows:

Date: March 25, 2009
Time: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Location: Cal/EPA Headquarters
Sierra Hearing Room
1001 I Street
Sacramento, California 95814
Staff Contact: Ms. Lesley Crowell, (916) 323-2913
lcrowell@arb.ca.gov

Participants unable to attend in person may take part via webcast. The broadcast can be accessed on the day of the meeting at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/broadcast/> . Information on submitting questions or comments for remote participants will be provided during the webcast.

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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Draft test procedures and certification requirements will be available on the HEV Test Procedures website (<http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/zevprog/hevtest/hevtest.htm>) the week prior to the workshop. The workshop agenda and presentation will also be available on the website prior to the workshop. The ZEV Program list serve will be used to notify stakeholders of upcoming events relating to the HEV Test Procedures. If you would like to receive notification by email of updates to the HEV Test Procedures, please sign up at: http://www.arb.ca.gov/listserv/listserv_ind.php?listname=zev-program.

If you have a disability-related accommodation need, please go to <http://www.arb.ca.gov/html/ada/ada.htm> for assistance, or contact the ADA Coordinator at (916) 323-4916. If you require special accommodations or language needs, please contact Ms. Lesley Crowell at (916) 323-2913 or lcrowell@arb.ca.gov as soon as possible, but no later than 10 business days before the scheduled event/meeting. TTY/TDD/Speech to Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service."

We welcome and encourage your participation in this effort. If you have questions regarding either the workshop or the proposed modifications to the test procedures or new certification requirements, please contact Ms. Elise Keddie, Manager, at (916) 323-8974 or via email at ekeddie@arb.ca.gov, or Ms. Lesley Crowell, Air Resources Engineer, at (916) 323-2913 or via email at lcrowell@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

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