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TO: All interested parties

SUBJECT: GRANT SOLICITATION FOR THE AIR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT
PROGRAM (AQIP) \$1.1 MILLION ZERO-EMISSION AGRICULTURAL
UTILITY TERRAIN VEHICLE REBATE PROJECT

The California Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) is pleased to announce its grant solicitation for the \$1.1 million Zero-emission Agricultural Utility Terrain Vehicle (Agricultural UTV) Rebate Project. The Agricultural UTV Rebate Project was approved by the Board as part of the AB 118 Air Quality Improvement Program (AQIP) Funding Plan for Fiscal year 2009-10. The Agricultural UTV Rebate Project is intended to encourage and accelerate the use of zero-emission work vehicles for use in California agricultural operations by providing rebates of 15 percent on the manufacturer's suggested retail price (MSRP), up to a maximum of \$2,500, for the purchase of new eligible all terrain vehicles and utility vehicles.

The ARB is soliciting proposals for a Grantee to administer and implement the Agricultural UTV Rebate Project. This competitive solicitation is open to air districts and non-profit or public entities with expertise implementing a grant program, knowledge of California air quality issues and general knowledge of ARB's vehicle incentive programs. Applications are due to ARB by November 17, 2009. The grant solicitation and all associated documents may be found on ARB's webpage at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/solicitations.htm>.

ARB will hold an Applicant Workshop to answer questions regarding this grant solicitation on November 3, 2009. The Applicant Workshop will provide an opportunity for potential applicants to ask clarifying questions regarding general application requirements.

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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Additional information regarding the Agricultural UTV Rebate Project and the Applicant Workshop may be found in the Agricultural UTV grant solicitation or by contacting Ms. Meri Miles, Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 322-6370 or mmiles@arb.ca.gov .

Sincerely,

/s/

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Attachments