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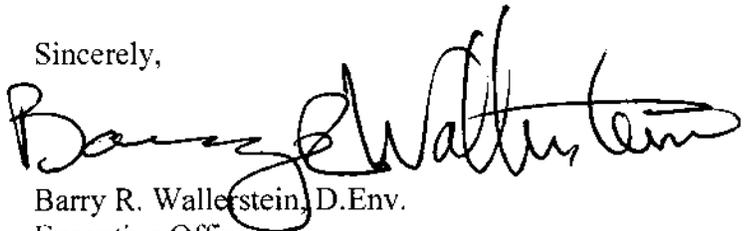
Re: SCAQMD's Response to CARB's Draft Program Review Report Concerning the District's Air Quality Incentive Programs for Grant Year 2005-6 through 2008-09

Dear Mr. Goldstene:

Please find attached SCAQMD's Response to CARB's Draft Program Review Report concerning the District's Air Quality Incentive Programs for Grant Year 2005-6 through 2008-09. As you know from numerous previous discussions, SCAQMD staff has significant concerns regarding the findings contained in CARB staff's draft report. Our attached response goes through the concerns in detail and requests that findings one, two and three for both the school bus and Carl Moyer programs be removed. We believe that a careful review of our response will show that the draft "findings," in fact, do not constitute "findings" according to CARB's definition of the term. We further request that our response be published as part of any final report issued by CARB. Lastly, I believe that the review process has been inefficient and resulted in unnecessary friction between our staffs, and should be replaced by an independent third party review, such as is done for the AB2588 program. I hope to discuss this latter point with you further in the near future.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,


Barry R. Wallerstein, D.Env.
Executive Officer

Attachments