

May 16, 2018

Ms. Amy Zimpfer, Associate Director  
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Dear Ms. Zimpfer:

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) is transmitting to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) the Portola Wood Stove Change-Out 2017 Progress Report (Progress Report) for the Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District. The attached Progress Report fulfills the annual reporting requirement as outlined in the Portola Fine Particulate Matter Attainment Plan. As described in the Report, the 196 stove change-outs completed as of December 31, 2017 have achieved 21 percent higher emission reductions than initially anticipated due to the actual replacement devices being cleaner than originally assumed. The Progress Report is publicly available on CARB's website at the following address:  
<https://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/sip/planarea/nsierra/nsierra.htm>.

Thank you for providing the Targeted Air Shed Grant funds that are making this program possible. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Ms. Sylvia Vanderspek, Chief, Air Quality Planning Branch, at (916) 324-7163, or by email at [sylvia.vanderspek@arb.ca.gov](mailto:sylvia.vanderspek@arb.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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