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Mr. Jared Blumenfeld
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Dear Mr. Blumenfeld:

The Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) is submitting to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) the updates to the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standard State Implementation Plans (SIP) for the Coachella Valley and Western Mojave Desert 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Areas (2014 Updates). ARB adopted the 2014 Updates as a revision to the California SIP on October 24, 2014. The 2014 Updates will support U.S. EPA approval of the 2007 Coachella Valley 8-Hour Ozone Plan and the 2008 Western Mojave Desert 8-Hour Ozone Plan for the 1997 8-hour ozone standard.

The 2014 Updates include revised emission inventories, attainment demonstrations, reasonable further progress demonstrations based on the latest U.S. EPA guidance, transportation conformity budgets, and vehicle miles traveled offset demonstrations.

This submittal includes one hard copy and one electronic copy of the following materials. The electronic copy is an exact duplicate of the hard copy.

1. Public Hearing Notice for the ARB Board Hearing on October 24, 2014, and public notice evidence.

2. ARB Staff Report, Proposed Updates to the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standard State Implementation Plans: Coachella Valley and Western Mojave Desert 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Areas, dated September 22, 2014.

3. ARB Resolution 14-29 adopting the 2014 Updates as a SIP revision, dated October 24, 2014.

4. SIP Completeness Checklist.

ARB is committed to working with U.S. EPA staff to provide any additional clarifying information you may need. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Lynn Terry, Deputy Executive Officer, at (916) 322-2739, or have your staff contact Mr. Kurt Karperos, Chief, Air Quality Planning and Science Division, at (916) 322-5350.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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