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Dear Sir or Madam:

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) staff invites you to participate in a public meeting relating to the maritime industry. The Maritime Air Quality Technical Working Group (Maritime Working Group) will hold a meeting to discuss recent maritime related activities.

The Maritime Working Group was created to provide a forum for discussing air quality issues and concerns pertaining to maritime activities in California. During this meeting, we will receive updates from various governmental agencies and California ports on their current efforts to reduce emissions from:

- Oceangoing Vessels
- Cargo Handling Equipment
- Commercial Harbor Craft
- Port Trucks

We will also discuss ARB's regulatory plans to further reduce emissions associated with maritime activities.

The attached draft agenda provides an outline for topics for the meeting. The final agendas, presentations, as well as any additional materials will be available prior to the meetings at this web address: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/marine>

The meeting will be held at the following date, time, and location:

September 12, 2006
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (Pacific daylight time)

Port of Long Beach Administration Building
Port of Long Beach Board Room
925 Harbor Plaza
Long Beach, California 90802

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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We welcome your participation in these efforts. If you have general questions regarding the public meetings, please contact Mr. Todd Sterling, Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 445-1034 or via e-mail at tsterlin@arb.ca.gov, or Mr. Erik White, Manager, Technical Analysis Section, at (916) 327-7213 or via e-mail at ewhite@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

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