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To: All Interested Parties

Subject: INITIAL MEETING TO DISCUSS PHASE II OF STAFF'S EFFORTS TO REDUCE HOTELLING EMISSIONS FROM OCEAN-GOING VESSELS

Dear Interested Parties:

The California Air Resources Board (ARB/Board) staff invites you to participate in a Phase II Hotelling Emissions Reduction workgroup meeting to discuss approaches to reducing hotelling or at-berth emissions from vehicle carriers, bulk and general cargo ships, tankers, and tugboats.

As you may know, in December 2007, the Board approved the adoption of a regulation to reduce emissions of oxides of nitrogen (NO_x) and diesel particulate matter (diesel PM) from diesel-fueled auxiliary engines used aboard container ships, passenger ships, and refrigerated cargo ships while at berth at a California port. At the December Board hearing, staff committed to developing a regulation to address the at-berth emissions from the three other major ship categories—vehicle carriers, bulk and general cargo ships, and tankers—as well as from tugboats.

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

Date: Wednesday, March 19, 2008

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Location: Cal/EPA Headquarters Building
Training Room 1, East and West
Sacramento, California 95814

Interested parties can participate in this meeting via teleconference. The conference call information is as follows:

Toll Free Number (Inside USA): 1-800-369-1120

Toll Number (International Calls) 1-212-287-1616

Passcode: 19327

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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The agenda and presentation will be available prior to the March meeting at the following website address:

<http://www.arb.ca.gov/ports/shorepower/shorepower.htm>

Information on the At-Berth Ocean-Going Vessel regulation that was approved in December 2007 can be found at:

<http://www.arb.ca.gov/regact/2007/shorepwr07/shorepwr07.htm>

If you have a disability-related accommodation need, please go to <http://www.arb.ca.gov/html/ada/ada.htm> for assistance or contact the Disability Coordinator at (916) 323-4916. If you are a person who needs assistance in a language other than English, please go to <http://www.arb.ca.gov/as/eo/languageaccess.htm> or contact the Bilingual Coordinator at (916) 323-7053 as soon as possible.

We welcome and appreciate your participation in this workgroup meeting. If you have any questions regarding the meeting, please contact Mr. Michael Waugh, Manager, Program Assistance Section, at (916) 445-6018, or via email at mwaugh@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

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