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In June and July 2007, Air Resources Board (ARB) staff presented to the public draft railyard health risk assessments (HRA) for two railyards located in Stockton, California. These HRAs were prepared under the 2005 Railroad Agreement between ARB and Union Pacific Railroad (UP) and BNSF Railway (BNSF). Since then, ARB staff has been reviewing the comments and incorporating appropriate changes to finalize the HRA. ARB staff expects these two HRAs to be completed by November 16, 2007.

Consistent with the Agreement, ARB staff would now like to meet with air district staff, community members, and the railroads to discuss potential railyard mitigation measures to reduce the risks identified in the HRAs. The date, time, location, and railyards covered for the meetings are listed below:

<u>Date/Time:</u>	<u>Location:</u>	<u>Railyards Covered:</u>
December 4, 2007 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	McKinley Recreation Center 424 East Ninth Street Stockton, California 95206	UP Stockton (downtown)
December 5, 2007 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	McKinley Recreation Center 424 East Ninth Street Stockton, California 95206	BNSF Stockton (downtown)

The health risk assessments, emission inventories and air dispersion modeling for each Northern California railyard, and the ARB and railroads presentations on railyard mitigation measures can be found on ARB's railyard website:

<http://www.arb.ca.gov/railyard/hra/hra.htm>. This meeting notice is available at:
<http://www.arb.ca.gov/railyard/community/community.htm>

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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If you have questions about this upcoming public meeting, please contact me at (916) 324-8167 or Mr. Harold Holmes, Manager, Engineering Evaluation Section, at (916) 324-8029.

Sincerely,



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