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TO: All Interested Parties

SUBJECT: PUBLIC WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS 2014 VAPOR RECOVERY RULEMAKING

The California Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) invites you to participate in a public workshop to discuss conceptual changes to regulations that control the release of gasoline vapors from dispensing facilities (service stations) equipped with underground storage tanks.

The workshops will be held in two locations as indicated below; each workshop will cover the same topics.

Northern California		Southern California	
Date:	Friday, March 7, 2014	Date:	Friday, March 14, 2014
Time:	10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	Time:	10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Place:	Cal/EPA Headquarters Klamath Training Room, Second Floor 1001 I Street Sacramento, CA 95814	Place:	South Coast AQMD Headquarters Auditorium 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765

The purpose of these workshops is to inform interested parties about proposed changes to vapor recovery regulations and to solicit feedback. At the workshop, staff will provide a status of the ongoing field study to determine the prevalence and impact of In-Station Diagnostic (ISD) system over pressure alarms. Additionally, staff will discuss concepts under consideration for second generation ISD requirements that would reduce the cost of compliance and proposed performance standards for nozzles without vapor return paths (enhanced conventional nozzles or ECO nozzles) that would provide a cost-effective way of reducing liquid release at dispensing facilities that refuel exclusively vehicles equipped with onboard vapor recovery systems.

Additional workshops will be scheduled in late spring or early summer of 2014 where interested parties will have an opportunity to review and provide comments on the proposed regulatory language. Proposed regulatory changes pertaining to these three items will be formally presented to the Board for consideration during the November 2014 Board Hearing.

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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Each workshop will consist of a one-hour presentation by staff, followed by a question and answer period. The staff presentation will include:

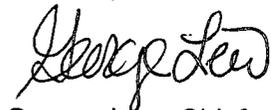
- Over Pressure Study
 - Present preliminary results of data collection from first and second phase of the current field study
 - Request for public input for additional information to be collected to complement data being collected during the third and fourth phase of the current field study
- Second Generation ISD
 - Purpose and goal of second generation ISD
 - Solicit public input on other ideas for the second generation ISD
- ECO Nozzle
 - Applicability of ECO nozzle in California
 - Proposed standards for ECO nozzle
 - Solicit public comments on proposal and applicability

Participants are encouraged to attend in person. An audio conference line (listen only) will be set up to accommodate those who are unable to attend in person. The workshop agenda, call-in details, and an electronic copy of the staff presentation will be posted by February 28, 2014, on ARB's website at: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/vapor/vapor.htm>.

The workshop location is accessible to persons with disabilities. If you need special accommodation or have language needs, please contact Carolina Zavala at (916) 327-0900 as soon as possible. TTY/TDD Speech-to-Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.

If you cannot attend the workshop and have technical comments or questions regarding the content that will be discussed, please contact Mr. Lou Dinkler via email at ldinkler@arb.ca.gov for questions related to ISD (Over Pressure and Second Generation) and Mr. Pat Bennett via email at pbennett@arb.ca.gov for questions related to ECO nozzles. Both Mr. Dinkler and Mr. Bennett can be reached at (916) 327-0900. If you have difficulties in accessing the conference call on the day of the workshop, please call (916) 327-0900.

Sincerely,



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