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To: Vehicle Manufacturers of Passenger Cars, Light-Duty Trucks, Medium-Duty Vehicles and Other interested Parties

Subject: 2009 AND SUBSEQUENT MODEL YEAR LIGHT-DUTY TRUCK (LDT) MULTIPLIER IN THE CALIFORNIA ZERO-EMISSION VEHICLE (ZEV) REGULATION

In response to questions regarding inclusion of Light Duty Truck 2s (LDT) in the Zero Emission Vehicle Regulation, the California Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) would like to provide clarification in regards to the Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Standards for 2009 and Subsequent Model Year Passenger Cars (PC), Light-Duty Trucks, and Medium-Duty Vehicles ZEV Credit Calculations found in Californian Code of Regulations, Title 13, section 1962.1(g)(2)(A) and (B). These sections refer only to how credits are calculated or earned. They do not refer to the calculation of a vehicle manufacturer's requirement. There is no requirement to produce ZEV LDT2s. Thus, the addition of "LDT2s as applicable" in the amendments effective for model year 2009 and subsequent model years only provides that ZEV credits earned be multiplied by the LDT2 grams per mile/Non-Methane Organic Gas (gm/mi NMOG).

For example, if a vehicle manufacturer produces ZEV LDT2s then the LDT2 gm/mi NMOG multiplier is used. If a vehicle manufacturer produces ZEV PCs or LDT1s then the PC and LDT1 gm/mi NMOG multiplier is used. The intent was to only have one multiplier--the PC and LDT1 gm/mi NMOG multiplier. ARB plans to amend the ZEV Regulation to clarify this in the upcoming rulemaking.

If you have any questions, please contact Krista Eley, Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 322-2333 or via email at keley@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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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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