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Dear Sir or Madam:

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) staff will conduct a workshop on November 13, 2002, to solicit public comments on a proposed control measure to reduce exhaust and evaporative emissions from small off-road engines (SORE). The proposed control measure would revise the current exhaust emission standards for small off-road engines. In addition, we are proposing diurnal evaporative emission standards for equipment that utilize engines greater than 65 cc and a permeation standard for fuel tanks used with all small off-road engines. Small off-road engines are subject to the requirements of Sections 2400 et. seq. Title 13, California Code of Regulations. Specifically, staff's proposed changes apply to spark-ignited engines that are less than 25-horsepower.

The workshop will be held at the date, time and location listed below:

DATE: November 13, 2002
TIME: 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
PLACE: Air Resources Board
Annex 4 Auditorium
9530 Telstar Ave.
El Monte, California 91731

Enclosed are the agenda for the workshop and preliminary test data from a recent study titled "Collection of Evaporative Emissions Data from Off-Road Equipment". The preliminary test data are from tests conducted by Automotive Testing Laboratories (ATL) to assist in the quantification of evaporative emissions. The test data was used to develop an updated evaporative emission estimate for off-road equipment. Draft regulatory language and certification procedures for the evaporative component of the proposed control measure are available for download on ARB's Web site noted below. Hard copies of the draft regulatory language and certification procedures can also be obtained by submitting a request to James Watson at the address listed on the letterhead. We would appreciate comments on the proposed control measure, emissions estimates, draft regulatory language, and draft certification procedures.

As part of the public review process we welcome your input and information as we develop and refine the control measure. Information related to this control measure can be found at the ARB web site, www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/offroad/sore/sore.htm. Written

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comments and/or questions can be directed to the following staff:

	Contact	E-mail	Phone #
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Exhaust Emissions	David Salardino	Dsalardi@arb.ca.gov	(626) 575-6679
Evaporative Emissions	James Watson	Jwatson@arb.ca.gov	(916) 327-1282

This facility is accessible to persons with disabilities. If accommodation is needed, please contact Elizabeth Mongar at (916) 327-0900 by October 29, 2002. Persons with hearing or speech impairments can contact us by using our Telephone Device for the Deaf (TDD) at (916) 324-9531, or (800) 700-8326 for TDD calls from outside the Sacramento area.

We appreciate your participation in our process. To ensure adequate seating, please call Elizabeth Mongar at (916) 327-0900 by no later than November 5, 2002, if you are planning to attend.

Sincerely,

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William Loscutoff, Chief
Monitoring and Laboratory Division

Enclosure

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