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Dear Sir or Madam:

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) staff invites you to participate in afternoon and evening public workshops that will focus on a draft report that the ARB staff recently completed on the impacts from airborne particulate matter emissions from activities at the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach. At the workshops, the ARB staff will present and take comments on the draft report entitled *Diesel Particulate Matter Exposure Assessment Study for the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach*.

The workshops will be held on October 26, 2005, at the following times and location:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
Marina Hotel 2800 Via Cabrillo Marina San Pedro, CA 90731	2:00 PM to 4:00 PM 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

The purpose of the study was to enhance our understanding of the port-related diesel particulate matter (PM) emission impacts by evaluating the relative contributions of the various diesel PM emission sources at the ports to the potential cancer risks to people living in communities near the ports. This information will assist in the efforts underway to reduce diesel PM emissions at the ports by helping to identify the sources that have the greatest impact on potential risks to nearby residents.

The study focused on the on-port property emissions from locomotives, on-road heavy-duty trucks, and cargo handling equipment used to move containerized and bulk cargo such as yard trucks, side-picks, rubber tire gantry cranes, and forklifts. The study also evaluated the at-berth and over-water emissions impacts from ocean-going vessel main and auxiliary engine emissions as well as commercial harbor craft such as passenger ferries and tugboats. For the ocean-going vessel emissions, the study evaluated the hotelling emissions, i.e. those emissions from vessel auxiliary engines while at berth separately from the maneuvering and transiting emissions.

At the workshop, ARB staff will provide an overview of the study and present the preliminary results. Comments are welcomed on the draft study which is available on the ARB website at

<http://www.arb.ca.gov/ports/marinevess/documents/100305draftexposrep.pdf>.

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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Presentations and any additional materials will be available prior to the workshops on our website at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/marine>

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We welcome your participation in these efforts. If you have general questions regarding the public workshops, please contact Mr. Todd Sterling at (916) 445-1034 or via e-mail at tsterlin@arb.ca.gov, or Ms. Peggy Taricco, Manager, Technical Analysis Section, at (916) 327-7213 or via e-mail at ptaricco@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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