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Request for Nominations for Appointment to the Air Resources Board Environmental Justice Advisory Committee

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) is seeking nominations from environmental justice organizations and community groups for representatives to serve on the Environmental Justice Advisory Committee.

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 32 (Chapter 488, Statutes of 2006), ARB convened the Environmental Justice Advisory Committee (EJAC or Committee) in 2007 to advise it on the development of California's Climate Change Scoping Plan

(http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/scopingplan/document/scopingplandocument.htm) and other matters pertinent to the implementation of AB 32.

ARB is required to develop an updated Scoping Plan to bring to the Board by December 2013. The plan will focus on strategies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and achieve additional co-benefits both in the near-term and beyond 2020, including in disadvantaged communities. Sectors of focus will include transportation, fuels, and infrastructure; energy generation, transmission, and efficiency; waste; water; and agriculture. It will also focus on how best to align California's greenhouse gas emission reduction strategies with other state policy priorities like air quality, goods movement, sustainable communities, and clean energy.

ARB is reconvening the EJAC to advise on the development of the updated Scoping Plan. Staff expects the EJAC to meet twice during the spring and summer of 2013 to discuss the Scoping Plan prior to Board consideration of the Plan. Nominations from environmental justice organizations and community groups for membership on the EJAC are being solicited for representatives that meet the membership requirements of AB 32, Health and Safety Code, section 38591:

"The advisory committee shall be comprised of representatives from communities in the state with the most significant exposure to air pollution, including, but not limited to, communities with minority populations or low-income populations, or both. The state board shall appoint the advisory committee members from nominations received from environmental justice organizations and community groups."

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Current or former members of the EJAC that still meet the eligibility requirements are invited to resubmit a nomination.

Nominations shall include the following information:

- Name, business address, and brief description of nominating environmental justice organization or community group;
- For its nomination, the group shall indicate:
 - Name and business address of representative being nominated for appointment to the Committee;
 - The community or communities in the state the representative represents;
 - Relevant professional work experience of the representative being nominated; and
 - Brief description of interest of nominee in service on the Committee.

To be considered for appointment to the EJAC, nominations should be received **no later than 5:00 pm on March 1, 2013** and addressed to the following:

Email: Clerk of the Board, Air Resources Board cotb@arb.ca.gov

Or

Postal mail: Clerk of the Board, Air Resources Board 1001 I Street, Sacramento, California 95814

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