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TO: All interested parties

SUBJECT: GRANT SOLICITATION FOR THE AIR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (AQIP) ADVANCED LOCOMOTIVE AFTERTREATMENT TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

The California Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) is pleased to announce its grant solicitation for the $800,000 Advanced Technology Demonstration Project for the demonstration of advanced aftertreatment devices on existing locomotive engines operating in California. The Advanced Technology Demonstration Project was approved by the Board as part of the AB 118 Air Quality Improvement Program Funding Plan for Fiscal Year 2009-10.

Public agencies such as air districts, ports, federal, state, or local government entities or agencies with expertise implementing demonstration programs and the requisite knowledge of locomotive operations may apply via this solicitation to become the demonstration project grantee. Applications are due to ARB by May 28, 2010. The grant solicitation and all associated documents may be found on ARB’s webpage at http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/solicitations.htm.

ARB will hold an applicant workshop to answer questions regarding this grant solicitation on April 27, 2010. The applicant workshop will provide an opportunity for potential applicants to ask clarifying questions regarding general application requirements. More information on the applicant workshop can be found in the Advanced Locomotive Aftertreatment Technology Demonstration Project Grant Solicitation.

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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Additional information regarding the Advanced Locomotive Aftertreatment Technologies demonstration project may be found in the Advanced Locomotive Aftertreatment Technologies grant solicitation or by contacting Mr. Earl Landberg, Air Pollution Specialist, at elandber@arb.ca.gov or at (916) 323-1384.

Sincerely,

    /s/

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