May 18, 2004

Dear California Intrastate Locomotive Owner/Operator:

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) is requesting your participation in completing the attached survey. This survey is applicable to all intrastate diesel-electric locomotives, and does not apply to all-electric or steam locomotives. For the purposes of this survey, intrastate (diesel-electric) locomotives are defined as those locomotives that operate and fuel primarily (at or greater than 90% of annual fuel consumption, mileage, and/or hours of operation) within the boundaries of the state of California. We are requesting this information to improve ARB’s emissions inventory and to evaluate the feasibility of using California diesel fuel in intrastate locomotives, or other control strategies that would achieve similar emission benefits.

This request for information is made pursuant to sections 39600, 39607, 39665, 39701, and 41511 of the California Health and Safety Code and section 91110, Title 17, of the California Code of Regulations (CCR). All companies that operate intrastate locomotives are being asked to complete the survey. State law requires that you provide the requested information by completing and returning the survey. If the survey does not apply to you, please state in the survey why it does not apply to you and return it to the address indicated.

ARB has adopted regulations to protect the confidentiality of trade secrets (Title 17, CCR, sections 91000 to 91022). A summary of ARB’s confidentiality regulations can be found attached to this survey on the "Confidential Information Submittal Form." You should fill out the form if you wish to designate any survey information as confidential.

Please return this survey by June 28, 2004 to:

California Air Resources Board
Attention: Harold Holmes
SSD-CPB-EES - 6th Floor
P.O. Box 2815
Sacramento, California 95812-2815
CONFIDENTIAL MATERIALS ENCLOSED (if applicable)

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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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Your participation in this survey is appreciated. If you should have any questions about this survey, please feel free to contact Mr. Erik C. White, Manager, Engineering Evaluation Section, at (916) 324-8029.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Dean C. Simeroth, Chief
Criteria Pollutants Branch

cc: Mr. Erik White, Manager
Engineering Evaluation Section