January 30, 2007

Dear Sir or Madam:

California Air Resources Board (ARB) staff invites you to participate in our next Harbor Craft Workshop on February 16, 2007. As part of the Diesel Risk Reduction Plan and Goods Movement Plan efforts, ARB staff is developing a regulation to limit diesel particulate matter and oxide of nitrogen emissions from commercial harbor craft. Commercial harbor craft include tug boats, tow boats, ferries, work boats, crew boats, military vessels, and fishing vessels.

At this meeting, ARB staff will:

- Discuss the latest draft regulatory proposal for reducing emissions from new and in-use diesel-fueled engines on commercial harbor craft;
- Provide an update on the harbor craft emission inventory work;
- Discuss our economic impact analysis efforts; and
- Provide preliminary assessment on environmental benefits.

The Commercial Harbor Craft Workshop will be held at the following time and location.

Date: February 16, 2007
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (Pacific Standard Time)
Location: Coastal Hearing Room
Address: Cal/EPA Headquarters
          1001 I Street
          Sacramento, California  95812

If you wish to participate by phone, you can call in by dialing 1-800-779-2692, passcode 51238. The call leader name is Todd Sterling.
A draft agenda for the workshop is attached. One week prior to the meeting, we will post any revisions to the agenda and any relevant handouts on our web site at http://www.arb.ca.gov/harborcraft. Materials will also be available as a hard copy on the day of the meeting. If you did not receive this letter directly but would like to be on the mailing list for future notification, please sign up via our web site at http://www.arb.ca.gov/ports/marinevess/lists.htm.

If you have special accommodations or language needs, please contact Ms. Linda Keifer at (916) 323-4327 or lkeifer@arb.ca.gov as soon as possible. TTY/TDD/Speech-to-Speech users may dial 7-1-1 for the California Relay Service. For public transit information, please contact Regional Transit at (916) 321-BUSS or view the transportation information on the California Environmental Protection Agency’s web site at http://www.calepa.ca.gov/epabldg/location.htm.

We welcome your participation in this effort. If you have questions regarding the February 16, 2007 Commercial Harbor Craft Workshop meeting, please contact Mr. Todd Sterling, Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 445-1034 or Ms. Cherie Rainforth, Manager, Control Strategies Section, at (916) 327-7213.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Attachment

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