

State of California  
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

**EXECUTIVE ORDER R-12-016**

*Relating to the Rulemaking to Consider Amendments to New Passenger Motor Vehicle Greenhouse Gas Emission Standards for Model Years 2017-2025 to Permit Compliance Based on Federal Greenhouse Gas Emissions Standards and Additional Minor Revisions to the LEV III and ZEV Regulations*

WHEREAS, on November 15, 2012, the Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) conducted a public hearing to consider for approval the proposed amendments to the current Low-Emission Vehicle (LEV III) and Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEV) regulations, as set forth in the Initial Statement of Reasons released to the public on September 13, 2012;

WHEREAS, the environmental analysis included in the Initial Statement of Reasons, prepared in accordance with ARB's certified regulatory program and the policy and substantive requirements of CEQA, concluded that the amendments will not result in any significant adverse impacts on the environment;

WHEREAS, following the public hearing, the Board adopted Resolution 12-35, in which the Board approved for adoption the proposed amendments to sections 1900, 1956.8, 1960.1, 1961, 1961.2, 1961.3, 1962.1, 1962.2, and 1976, title 13, California Code of Regulations (CCR), and the proposed amendments to (and adoption of) the documents incorporated by those regulations, as set forth in Attachments A through I thereto, with the modifications set forth in Attachment J thereto,

WHEREAS, Resolution 12-35, directed the Executive Officer to determine if additional conforming modifications to the regulation were appropriate and take final action to adopt the modified regulation after making the modified regulatory language and any additional supporting documents and information available to the public for a period of 15 days, consider such written comments as may be submitted during this period, make such further modifications as may be appropriate in light of the comments received, or return the regulatory amendments to the Board for further consideration if warranted.

WHEREAS, on November 19, 2012, the modified regulations, reflecting the amendments approved by the Board and other changes made to best reflect the intent of the Board at the hearing, were made available for public comment for a period of at least 15 days, with the changes to the originally proposed text clearly indicated, in accordance with the provisions of the CCR, title 1, section 44;

WHEREAS, Resolution 12-35 further directed the Executive Officer to consider and approve the written responses to any comments raising environmental issues in accordance with CCR, title 17, section 60007 prior to taking final action to adopt the regulatory amendments;

WHEREAS, a number of written comments were received during the initial 45-day comment period and supplemental 15-day comment period, and those comments have been considered by the Executive Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the recitals and findings contained in Resolution 12-35 are incorporated herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the written responses prepared for comments received are hereby approved, including the written responses to any environmental issues raised as required by CCR, title 16, section 60007.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that sections 1900, 1956.8, 1960.1, 1961, 1961.2, 1961.3, 1962.1, 1962.2, and 1976, and the documents incorporated therein title 13, CCR, are adopted as set forth in Attachment 1 to this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the adopted regulatory text may be further revised with nonsubstantial or grammatical changes, which will be added to the rulemaking record and indicated as such.

Executed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December 2012, at Sacramento, California.

/s/

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James N. Goldstene  
Executive Officer

Attachments