APPENDIX C

Rationale for Proposed Changes to Title 13, CCR and Incorporated Test Procedures

Rationale for Proposed Changes to Appendix A – Proposed Regulation Order

Amendments to Title 13, CCR, Section 1961.2

Subsection (d)

The purpose of this amendment is to incorporate the proposed amendments to “California 2015 and Subsequent Model Criteria Pollutant Exhaust Emission Standards and Test Procedures and 2017 and Subsequent Model Greenhouse Gas Exhaust Emission Standards and Test Procedures for Passenger Cars, Light-Duty Trucks, and Medium-Duty Vehicles,” set forth as Appendix B to the Initial Statement of Reason (ISOR). It is necessary to amend this subsection to update the amended date of the incorporated “California 2015 and Subsequent Model Criteria Pollutant Exhaust Emission Standards and Test Procedures and 2017 and Subsequent Model Greenhouse Gas Exhaust Emission Standards and Test Procedures for Passenger Cars, Light-Duty Trucks, and Medium-Duty Vehicles" to make clear that appropriate test procedures are referenced in the rule, consistent with recent amendments proposed with this rulemaking to the procedures.

Amendments to Title 13, CCR, Section 1961.3

Title of section

The purpose of this amendment is to add clarity to the title of section 1961.3. It is necessary to amend the title of this section to specify that this section does not apply to medium-duty vehicles other than medium-duty passenger vehicles. This is necessary to be clear about what category of vehicles are covered by this section.
Subsection (c)

Introductory paragraph

The purpose of this amendment is to add an introductory paragraph to this subsection to specify the compliance with this subsection (c) shall not be allowed if the federal regulations that are referred to as the “2017 through 2025 MY National Greenhouse Gas Program” are changed subsequent to October 25, 2016. This is necessary to make clear that the subsection does not allow compliance with U.S. EPA rules that are likely to be weakened after this date, which would, without an amendment to the subsection, reduce air pollution benefits from this subsection.

Subsection (f)

Subsection (25)

“2017 through 2025 MY National Greenhouse Gas Program” - The purpose of this modification to the definition is to clarify that the version of the program to which this definition applies for model years 2021 through 2025 is the one comprised of federal regulations that were last amended on October 25, 2016. This modification is necessary to ensure that if U.S. EPA standards for these model years are weakened, they will not result in air pollution increases under the California program.

Note

The purpose of these modifications is to add additional authority from the California Health and Safety Code (HSC), and to delete inaccurate reference to the HSC. It is necessary to modify the note to add citations to two additional sections of the HSC that provide authority for this regulation and to delete citations to two sections of the HSC that are listed as “references,” but do not apply to this regulation.

Part I. Subpart B Definitions, Acronyms and Abbreviations

Section 2

“2017 through 2025 MY National Greenhouse Gas Program” - The purpose of this modification to the definition is to clarify that the version of the program to which this definition applies for model years 2021 through 2025 is the one comprised of federal regulations that were last amended on October 25, 2016. This modification is necessary to ensure that if U.S. EPA standards for these model years are weakened, they will not result in air pollution increases under the California program.

Part I. Subpart E California Exhaust Emission Standards

Section 2

Subsection 2.5

Subsection 2.5.1

Subsection 2.5.1.3

Subsection 2.5.1.3.4

Introductory paragraph

The purpose of these modifications to the introductory paragraph in this subsection is to specify the compliance with this subsection E.2.5.1.3.4 shall not be allowed if the “2017 through 2025 MY National Greenhouse Gas Program” is changed subsequent to October 25, 2016. This modification is necessary to make clear this compliance option is no longer appropriate if the U.S. EPA standards are weakened.
Subsection 2.5.1.3.4.1

It is necessary to amend this subsection to correct a typographical error.

Part I. Subpart J Procedural Requirements

Section 15

The purpose of this amendment to this subsection is to specify that Code of Federal Regulations §86.1865-12 applies to vehicles that certify to the “2017 through 2025 MY National greenhouse gas program.” This modification is necessary to clarify the relationship between U.S. EPA and California programs.

Section 16

The purpose of this amendment to this subsection is to specify that Code of Federal Regulations §86.1866-12 applies to vehicles that certify to the “2017 through 2025 MY National greenhouse gas program.” This modification is necessary to make clarify the relationship between U.S. EPA and California programs.