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WORKSHOP NOTICE

Public Workshop for

Amendments to the Airborne Toxic Control Measure for Diesel Particulate Matter from Portable Engines Rated at 50 Horsepower and Greater (ATCM) and to the Statewide Portable Equipment Registration Program Regulation (PERP regulation).

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) invites you to participate in a public workshop to discuss proposed amendments to the Airborne Toxic Control Measure for Diesel Particulate Matter from Portable Engines Rated At 50 Horsepower and Greater (title 13, California Code of Regulations, § 93116). The Statewide Portable Equipment Registration Program Regulation (title 13 California Code of Regulations, §2450) will also be revised to complement any changes made to the ATCM. The workshop is open to the public and full participation by all parties is encouraged. Following is the location where the workshop will be held:

DATE:	November 10, 2016
TIME:	10 am
LOCATION:	California Environmental Protection Agency Coastal Hearing Room – 2nd floor 1001 I Street Sacramento, CA 95814
DIRECTIONS:	http://www.calepa.ca.gov/epabldg/location.htm

Background

ARB adopted the ATCM in 2004 to protect public health by controlling emissions from nearly all diesel fueled portable engines rated at 50 horsepower and greater operating in California. The current ATCM requires subject fleets of engines to meet a series of fleet average emission standards for diesel particulate matter (DPM). The ATCM fleet standards became effective in January 2013, and will become progressively more

stringent in January 2017 and in January 2020. This regulation is part of the State's Diesel Risk Reduction Plan to reduce DPM.

ARB adopted the PERP Regulation in 1997 to offer portable equipment owners a permit/registration option recognized in all 35 local air districts. A permit, or registration, may otherwise be required from each local air district in which the engine/equipment unit would operate. Under PERP, only the most current tier engines, and engines manufactured under the flexibility provisions (flex engines), are eligible for initial engine registration with certain exceptions for auxiliary engines in specific categories.

In December 2015, ARB released a regulatory and enforcement advisory announcing our intention to revise the 2017 fleet standards and advising local air districts to suspend enforcement activities regarding those standards and related reporting requirements.

Proposed Revisions to the ATCM and the PERP Regulation

ARB is in the process of revising the fleet average emission standards for DPM that would become effective in 2017 and 2020. Revisions made to the ATCM will also be reflected in the PERP Regulation in order to complement the two regulations. This public workshop follows three workshops conducted in September 2016, and is intended to provide an opportunity for the public to comment on proposed regulatory language that includes alternatives to the current fleet averages. ARB invites any comments, suggestions, and recommendations which encourage development of revised standards that will better promote and protect public health while considering economic impacts to regulated fleets. The Board is scheduled to consider this item at its March 2017, public hearing. The staff presentation for the workshops will be posted at http://www.arb.ca.gov/portable/perpact/portable-activity.htm before the workshop occurs.

Workshop Information

If you require special accommodation for the workshop, or need this document in an alternate format (e.g. Braille, large print), or another language, please contact Ms. Alyssa Green, Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 445-1034 or via e-mail at Alyssa.Green@arb.ca.gov as soon as possible, but no later than 5 business days before the workshop. TTY/TDD/Speech to Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.

For those unable to attend in person, a live internet broadcast (webcast) will be available at all three workshops. The workshop broadcast can be accessed via: http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/. An e-mail address will be made available at the workshop to submit questions or comments during that workshop.

Further Information

Please check the website http://www.arb.ca.gov/portable/perpact/portable-activity.htm for updates, including the publication of revised draft regulatory language and other related documents. Updates on public outreach will also be sent out via our electronic list serve. To subscribe, please enroll at http://www.arb.ca.gov/listserv/listserv_ind.php?listname=portable.

If you have any questions about the public workshop or about portable diesel engines requirements, please contact James Aguila, Air Resources Engineer at (916) 229-0976 james.aguila@arb.ca.gov or Ronald Walter, Air Resources Engineer, at (916) 327-5623, rwalter@arb.ca.gov.

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