State of California AIR RESOURCES BOARD

Executive Order G-97-027

WHEREAS, on October 24, 1996, the Air Resources Board (the Board or ARB) conducted a hearing to consider regulatory amendments to update the test methods designated to measure the total aromatic hydrocarbons, polynuclear hydrocarbons, nitrogen and sulfur in, and distillation of, California commercial and certification diesel fuels;

WHEREAS, following the public hearing on October 24, 1996, the Board adopted Resolution 96-54, in which the Board approved the regulatory amendments set forth in Attachments A, B and C thereto, with the modifications identified in the resolution;

WHEREAS, Attachment A to Resolution 96-54 contained amendments to sections 2281(c), 2282(b), (c) and (g), 1956.8(b), and 1960.1(k), Title 13, California Code of Regulations; Attachment B to Resolution 96-54 contained amendments to the "California Exhaust Emission Standards and Test Procedures for 1985 and Subsequent Model Heavy-Duty Diesel Engines and Vehicles" (the "Heavy-Duty Test Procedures"), incorporated by reference in section 1956.8(b) of Title 13, California Code of Regulations; and Attachment C to Resolution 96-54 contained amendments to the "California Exhaust Emission Standards and Test Procedures for 1988 and Subsequent Model Passenger Cars, Light-Duty Trucks, and Medium-Duty Vehicles" (the "Light- and Medium-Duty Test Procedures"), incorporated by reference in section 1960.1(k) of Title 13, California Code of Regulations;

WHEREAS, Resolution 96-54 directed the Executive Officer to make the modifications approved by the Board available to the public for a supplemental written comment period of 15 days, and thereafter either to adopt the approved amendments with such additional modifications as may be appropriate in light of supplemental comments received, or to present the amendments to the Board for further consideration if warranted in light of supplemental written comments received;

WHEREAS, the Board-approved modifications to the originally proposed text were contained in section 2282, Title 13, California Code of Regulations, and the text of these modifications was made available for a supplemental 15-day comment period, in accordance with the provisions of Title 1, California Code of Regulations, section 44, with the modifications clearly indicated;

WHEREAS, no written comments were received during the supplemental 15-day comment period; and

WHEREAS, Attachment 1 hereto contains the text of the amendments to Title 13, California Code of Regulations, sections 2281(c), 2282(b), (c) and (g), 1956.8(b), and 1960.1(k) as approved by the Board in Resolution 96-54, and Attachments 2 and 3 hereto contain the text of the amendments to the Heavy-Duty Test Procedures and the Light- and Medium-Duty Test Procedures respectively;

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NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the recitals and findings contained in Resolution 96-54 are incorporated herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, in accordance with Resolution 96-54 and Health and Safety Code sections 39515 and 39516, that the amendments to sections 2281(c), 2282(b), (c) and (g), 1956.8(b), and 1960.1(k), Title 13, California Code of Regulations are hereby adopted as set forth in Attachment 1 hereto; the amendments to the Heavy-Duty Test Procedures are adopted as set forth in Attachment 2 hereto; and the amendments to the Light- and Medium-Duty Test Procedures are adopted as set forth in Attachment 3 hereto.

Executed_____, 1997, at Sacramento, California.

Michael P. Kenny Executive Officer

Attachments