

May 4, 2026

The Honorable Gavin Newsom
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California Air Resources Board
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RE: Proposed 15-Day Amendments to the California Cap on Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Market-Based Compliance Mechanisms Regulation

The Membership of the California Environmental Justice Coalition represents over 100 of *California's Second-Class Communities* overburdened by chronic air pollution and multigenerational poverty. Our membership submits this letter to voice our grave concerns with the *Proposed Amendments to the Regulation for the California Cap on Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Market-Based Compliance Mechanisms*, released by the California Air Resources Board (CARB) on April 14, 2026 for consideration by CARB at its May 28, 2026 monthly meeting.

While many of our members rely on grant funding from the *Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund* to protect our communities still **WE URGE YOU TO REJECT** these amendments.

Our membership is of the opinion that this is a false crisis engineered to extract an unfavorable decision from the board that benefits the very interests that caused this climate crisis. Our collective experiences living on the frontlines of poverty impacted communities in the *grotesquely celebrated 4th largest economy* in the world guides us.

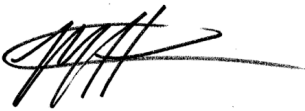
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We know a firesale when we see one. This truncated process does not comply with the Administrative Procedures Act ensuring a fair public process.

The unfunded giveaways proposed here to manufacturing, and the allowances that pretend not to see the gross revenues of the oil and gas sector under the auspices of “affordability” will actually undermine the stability of the market.

Please direct staff to do better by developing a comprehensive set of amendments that includes our input alongside the input of the regulated entities irrespective of election cycles.

On Behalf of the membership,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matt Holmes', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Matt Holmes,
Co-Coordinator
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