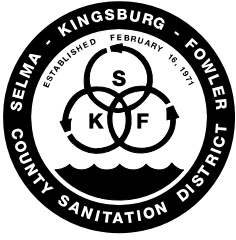


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Clerk of the Board
California Air Resources Board
1001 I Street
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RE: Advanced Clean Fleets 15-Day Comment Period Response

Chair Lauren Sanchez and Members of the California Air Resources Board:

We greatly appreciate the time and effort that has gone into the 15-day comment draft that has been published for public comment. While the goals of these regulations are laudable, the reality remains that we cannot safely serve our communities unless emergency support vehicles are exempted.

The S-K-F County Sanitation District is a public agency formed in February, 1971 by the Fresno County Board of Supervisors through authority granted in the County Sanitation Districts Act and the Health and Safety Code of the State of California. The purpose of this special district is to provide for the collection, treatment and disposal of wastewater emanating from the residential, commercial, institutional and industrial dischargers within the service area of the three cities of Selma, Kingsburg, and Fowler. We serve a community spanning 14.5 miles and geographically it is approximately 13.9 acres, which includes the city limits and boundaries of the cities. Our community relies on us for sewage collection, treatment, and disposal. During emergencies our vehicles must run 24 hours at a time, in emergency conditions. Lastly, the District serves a disadvantaged community.

To prevent unnecessary loss of life and property in the communities we serve, please reconsider the amendments respectfully requested in the October 7th letter submitted by the California Special Districts Association, League of California Cities, and California State Association of Counties, collectively representing our state's 5,000 local agencies and 40 million residents.

Local agencies like ours continue to do our part in achieving the State's climate and emissions goals. Our proposed amendments will enable us to better meet this challenge and effectively navigate the current Advanced Clean Fleets (ACF) mandates and their associated ambitious compliance deadlines. Of critical concern to our community, the ACF mandates on local agencies are creating unnecessary challenges in complying while maintaining the many critical services Californians rely upon for their most essential daily needs as well as during emergencies and disasters.

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Vehicles that that need to be categorically exempted from the regulations include manner as those found in part (c) of § 2013 of title 13 of the California code of regulations to include those vehicles that respond to, assist in and recover from disasters and emergencies to include: water utility vehicles, flood protection vehicles, sewer utility vehicles, electric utility vehicles, fire prevention vehicles, fire protection vehicles, search and rescue vehicles, and disease and vector control vehicles.

We respectfully request that you amend the ACF exemptions to allow our vehicles that support emergency services to continue serving our communities when we need them most.

Thank you for your consideration,
Veronica Cazares, PE



General Manager

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