



July 11, 2017

Chair Mary Nichols  
California Air Resources Board  
1001 I Street  
Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: Public Health Support for Strong Low Carbon Fuel Standard

Dear Chairman Nichols:

On behalf of the undersigned health and medical organizations and caregivers, we are writing to support the California Air Resources Board's work to develop the next generation of the Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS). The LCFS has proven to be a success story in cutting fossil fuel use, harmful emissions and has spurred increased commitments to cleaner fuel options in California and beyond.

Given the urgency of the climate crisis and the need to continue progress in reducing criteria air pollutants and toxic air contaminants caused by traffic pollution, we support extending the role of the LCFS as a critical component of California's global leadership on clean air and a healthy climate. California is home to some of the worst air pollution in the country, and faces severe challenges due to drought, wildfires, extreme heat and other climate impacts that threaten public health. The LCFS provides certainty that pollution burdens caused by transportation fossil fuels will be reduced.

By diversifying California's fuel supply and encouraging clean fuel production and, especially the increased use of electricity for transportation, the LCFS is a key public health tool. Together with a robust Zero Emission Vehicle program, state and local efforts to reduce vehicle miles traveled, the LCFS is critical to advancing California's commitment to reducing dependence on

fossil fuels and increasing healthier transportation options. Further, California's leadership on the LCFS is reflected in the recent Oregon clean fuels program adoption and the developing Canadian national program.

The LCFS provides greater certainty for a clean air future and we look forward to working with the board, staff and stakeholders as the 2030 LCFS target rulemaking moves ahead over the coming year.

Sincerely,

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