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Air District & Air Resources Board host "one-stop" diesel truck workshops

SAN FRANCISCO - The Bay Area Air Quality Management District and the California Air Resources Board are co-hosting two Bay Area workshops for diesel truck owners to learn about California's diesel truck regulations and grant funding opportunities.

These comprehensive, day-long workshops will be held in the cities of Alameda and San Mateo.

"These workshops are a one-stop shop for everything diesel truck owners need to know about clean air regulations and grant and loan opportunities," said Jack Broadbent, executive officer of the Air District. "The Air District is committed to reducing diesel emissions, which pose a significant threat to public health in our neighborhoods."

The workshops will be held at the following times and locations:

Saturday, February 19, 2011 8:30 am – 4:00 pm College of Alameda 555 Ralph Appezzato Pkwy Alameda, CA 94501 Saturday, March 19, 2011 8:30 am – 4:00 pm San Mateo County Events Center 1346 Saratoga Dr. San Mateo, CA 94403

At the workshops attendees will learn which regulations apply to them, what will be required of their equipment and what funding opportunities may be available to them. There will be an inspection demonstration, allowing truck drivers to know what inspectors are looking for during an inspection.

Workshops will cover the following regulations: idling, engine labeling, heavy-duty vehicle inspection program, truck and bus regulation, drayage truck regulation, tractor and trailer greenhouse gas regulation, transportation refrigeration unit regulation, and associated funding opportunities. Air District and California Air Resources Board staff will be available to provide one-on-one assistance with truck owners on compliance and funding questions.

Diesel truck owners can contact 866-6-DIESEL (1-866-634-3735) or go to www.arb.ca.gov/truckstop for more information on truck regulations. Information about Air District grants and incentives is available at http://www.baaqmd.gov/goods.

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (www.baaqmd.gov) is the regional agency chartered with protecting air quality in the nine-county Bay Area.

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