BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-08

A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District committing matching funds in support of applications to the California Air Resources Board for Low Carbon Transportation Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction Fund projects

WHEREAS, AB 118, the California Alternative and Renewable Fuel, Vehicle Technology, Clean Air, and Carbon Reduction Act of 2007 (Statutes of 2007, Chapter 750) created the Air Quality Improvement Program (AQIP), an incentive program administered by the California Air Resources Board (ARB);

WHEREAS, AB 1532 (Statutes of 2012, Chapter 807), SB 535 (Statutes of 2012, Chapter 830), and SB 1018 (Statutes of 2012, Chapter 39) established the Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction Fund (GGRF) to receive Cap-and-Trade auction proceeds and provided a framework for administering auction proceeds in furtherance of the purposes of AB 32;

WHEREAS, in 2014, the California Legislature appropriated nearly $200 million in GGRF monies to establish a Low Carbon Transportation GGRF program that ARB is implementing in coordination with the AQIP AB 118 programs through the ARB Fiscal Year 2014-15 Funding Plan for AQIP and Low Carbon Transportation GGRF Investments;

WHEREAS, the ARB Low Carbon Transportation GGRF solicitations under the Fiscal Year 2014-15 Funding Plan require each applicant to provide matching funds in support of their applications;

WHEREAS, in 1990, the California Legislature authorized the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (District) to impose a $4 surcharge on motor vehicles registered within the Bay Area to fund projects that reduce on-road motor vehicle emissions;

WHEREAS, the Legislature has authorized, through the adoption and amendment of Health and Safety Code sections 44241, the expenditure of local motor vehicle surcharge revenues for projects that reduce vehicle emissions, and the District funds such projects through its Transportation Fund for Clean Air Program (TFCA);

WHEREAS, the District submitted applications to ARB in September 2015 to implement FY 2014-15 Low Carbon Transportation GGRF projects, and proposed to commit matching funds if awarded funding from ARB;

WHEREAS, ARB requires Low Carbon Transportation GGRF applicants to submit a Resolution to commit matching funds, accept funding from ARB, and implement projects in accordance with the requirements established by ARB;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors hereby approves the District’s acceptance of ARB GGRF funds, and commits the District to comply with the ARB Low Carbon Transportation GGRF project requirements if awarded funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer to provide the required matching funds in an amount up to $4.65 million, by allocating local TFCA motor vehicle surcharge revenues.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer is hereby authorized and empowered to execute on behalf of the District grant agreements with ARB and all other necessary documents to implement and carry out the purposes of this resolution.

The foregoing resolution was duly and regularly introduced, passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District on the Motion of Director WAGENKNECHT, seconded by Director HUDDSON, on the 21st day of OCTOBER, 2015, by the following vote of the Board:

AYES: AVALOS, BARRETT, CANEPA, CHAVEZ, GROOM, HAGGERTY, HUDDSON, KIM, KNISS, MAR, MILEY, MITCHOFF, PEPPER, RICE, ROSS, SINKS, SPERING, WAGENKNECHT, ZANE

NOES: NONE

ABSTENTIONS: NONE

ABSENT: BATES, GIOIA, FUJIOKA

CAROLE GROOM
Chairperson of the Board of Directors

ATTEST:

LIZ KNISS
Secretary of the Board of Directors