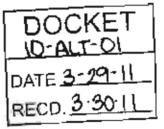




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Comments on Staff Draft Report of the 2011-2012 Investment Plan for the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program -Pilot Program Funding Allocation for Regional Government **Partnerships**

To Whom It May Concern:

The San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SJVAPCD) supports the recommendations submitted by the Kings Canyon Unified School District (KCUSD) and the City of Reedley in their March 25, 2011 letter in response to the California Energy Commission's Staff Draft Report of the 2011-2012 Investment Plan for the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program.

Because the San Joaquin Valley faces some of the toughest air quality challenges in the nation, the SJVAPCD supports innovative, collaborative efforts and public partnerships, such as the Central Valley Transportation Center (CVTC). The CVTC is a way to carry forward the CEC Investment Plan's mission to our region in order to meet both local and State goals for reducing emissions and petroleum dependence in the transportation sector by demonstrating new vehicle technologies and creating a model for new technology centers.

The Central Valley Transportation Center is a proposed joint-use transportation, maintenance, and educational center being shared between KCUSD and the City of Reedley. The 40-acre project site will house the transportation fleets for both partners, and include maintenance service bays, administration offices, an alternative fuel station, vehicle wash, a 1.2 megawatt solar array, and an alternative energy and maintenance training and educational center.

This facility will support and aid KCUSD to convert existing high polluting fleet vehicles to clean CNG fuel technology, thus resulting in significantly reduced emissions for this region. The CVTC has been designed for future expansion, and will also be capable of serving other regional school districts and governmental agencies.

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For these reasons, the SJVAPCD respectfully requests that the CEC formulate the AB 118 Investment Plan to include a pilot demonstration funding component, as outlined in the attached joint March 25, 2011 comment letter submitted to the CEC by KCUSD and the City of Reedley.

Sincerely,

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