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via email

Subject: California Energy Commission Proposed 2019-2020 Investment Plan Update for the Clean Transportation Program (August 5, 2019)

Dear Chairperson Hochschild,

The Port of Oakland (Port) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on the Proposed 2019-2020 Investment Plan Update for the Clean Transportation Program. The Port approved its *Seaport Air Quality 2020 and Beyond Plan* on June 13, 2019. The *2020 and Beyond Plan* formalizes the Port's bold vision of a zero-emissions seaport as a long-term policy goal. In keeping with this goal, the Port supports the 2019-2020 Investment Plan Update's \$30M proposed allocation for medium- and heavy-duty zero-emission vehicles and infrastructure.

During the August 5, 2019, public workshop, the CEC requested comments on three issues: 1) overall approach, 2) zero-emission vehicle infrastructure priorities, and 3) equity. The Port agrees that the proposed focus on zero-emissions vehicles and infrastructure is the best use of Clean Transportation Program funds. The Port is supportive of the increase in funds dedicated to medium-and heavy-duty trucks over previous year allocations. The Port would like the CEC to prioritize drayage trucks. The overall approach and focus on zero-emissions vehicles and infrastructure would contribute to continued improvements in air quality and public health in West Oakland, a CARB-recommended community for air emissions reduction programs under Assembly Bill 617.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on 2019-2020 Investment Plan Update. Please contact Ms. Tracy Fidell, Port Associate Environmental Planner/Scientist at <u>tfidell@portoakland.com</u> or by phone at 510-627-1134 for questions regarding this correspondence.

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