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P R O C E E D I N G S

9:15 a.m.

MR. WARD: Good morning everybody.

Thank you for coming. I am Peter Ward. I am the Program Manager for the AB 118 program at the California Energy Commission. I want to thank the folks at the Port for the use of their room and their hospitality for having us here today.

This is one of the key areas for our program as we look forward. We are now in the planning stage of this but we are about ready to shift gears and go into the program part of this, as opposed to the investment plan that has gone up to now.

I would like to note we have CEC employees here. There's Pilar Magaña just leaving the room and Rhett deMesa. Tim Olson here as well.

Today we have a very good panel of presenters that are subject matter experts in the areas that will be affected by our program.

I want to welcome all those that are on WebEx as well. I assume we have some folks that are listening in as well. Welcome to you as well.

I appreciate the opportunity to be here

1 at the Port because as we look forward I think the
2 ports and goods movement is going to be a key
3 issue for not only California but for our program
4 as well as look forward to the new fuels and
5 vehicle technologies that we will be developing
6 over the next few years.

7 I would like to make a couple of points.
8 This is the fourth in a series of four workshops
9 that were held around California. First we were
10 in Fresno then San Jose and yesterday we were in
11 Diamond Bar hosted by the Air Quality Management
12 District.

13 We have, as I mentioned, some featured
14 guests today and they will be making
15 presentations. They are on the agenda that you
16 hopefully got a copy of on your way in.

17 We have blue cards available up there if
18 you would like to make a public comment during the
19 public comment section of this workshop. That
20 will be around the 11 o'clock hour, 11, 11:30. So
21 we would like to hear from you. This is really
22 the purpose of this workshop is to hear from the
23 public and the public stakeholders. We would like
24 to see if we can limit the comment to five
25 minutes. If you have a short PowerPoint

1 presentation please see Rhett or Pilar and they
2 can help you load that in advance of that 11
3 o'clock hour.

4 The program overview. The program that
5 we are here discussing today was established by AB
6 118, authored by then-speaker Fabian Nuñez. It
7 was, I think, a landmark piece of legislation that
8 did many things. It's main purpose is to watch
9 the state achieve its climate change goals through
10 the development of vehicle technologies and
11 advanced fuels.

12 Provide immediate GHG benefits --

13 (Telephone line interference was
14 heard.)

15 MR. WARD: Provide immediate GHG
16 benefits to help the state achieve those goals and
17 to create an impetus for the long-term transition
18 from petroleum to cleaner fuels and more efficient
19 and viable vehicle technologies.

20 The program itself is funded for about
21 -- well at \$120 million a year authorized. Next
22 year -- This year actually that we are in \$75
23 million, next year it is tentatively slated at
24 \$101 million. I should mention another side of
25 the AB 118 is administered by the Air Resources

1 Board and they have about \$80 million authorized
2 on their side of it. So combined AB 118 is about
3 \$200 million a year for the next seven and a half
4 years.

5 A key part of what we are going to be
6 doing in the program, and I think it is a very
7 important aspect of this program, is we are going
8 to be establishing sustainability, a framework for
9 sustainability for all the new fuels and vehicle
10 technologies that we hope to establish and to
11 bolster over the next seven years. This is key
12 because we don't want to duplicate the
13 unsustainable practices that we have seen here
14 before. I think that is quite important. It will
15 be a hallmark for this program as we see it.

16 We want to ensure economic development.
17 As we all know in the last six months economic
18 development has risen to the top as the economy is
19 challenged, not only in California but across the
20 nation. We think this money that is in this bill
21 can be very useful in providing the economic
22 development, jobs and workforce training for
23 California that will be essential to bring us out
24 of the recession.

25 I heard somebody say the other day, a

1 crisis is a terrible thing to waste. And I never
2 really thought of it that way but I really think
3 that the time that we have now has focused all our
4 attention to this type of a program. The program
5 that was just established at the federal side as
6 well for economic benefits and incentives to
7 provide economic development and workforce
8 training and job creation.

9 The Energy Commission is required to
10 adopt this Investment Plan that we are here to
11 speak about today. We have been working about
12 seven months on this, a re-draft from the July 9
13 meeting that we had in Sacramento. We are on the
14 workshop trail now to gather comments on this
15 Investment Plan. We want to hear from the public
16 and the public stakeholders on the Investment
17 Plan. And now we are hoping to adopt that next
18 month at the Energy Commission.

19 The initial Investment Plan will guide
20 the funding decisions for the first two years.
21 Subsequent to that there will be an Investment
22 Plan for each of the remaining five years of the
23 program. But this Investment Plan will cover the
24 first two years of the program since we are
25 getting kind of a late start in this fiscal year.

1 We have convened the Advisory Committee
2 and we have held five meetings. The last meeting
3 we had on January 8 and discussed the Investment
4 Plan with them. Now we are taking it out to
5 workshops, revising the plan and finalizing it
6 into a final committee document. This is a staff
7 draft document. It will be going to a Committee
8 document that will be approved by the Energy
9 Commission next month.

10 As I mentioned, this has been available.
11 The Investment Plan has been available for about
12 two months. We met with the Advisory Committee on
13 January 8. This is the fourth workshop.

14 The Transportation Committee is
15 comprised of Vice Chair Jim Boyd and now Chairman
16 Karen Douglas. Interestingly enough Karen Douglas
17 gave birth to a little girl about a week or so
18 ago. That was in the morning; in the afternoon
19 she was named the Chairman of the Energy
20 Commission. So that was a very full day for her
21 but we are really pleased that she is our
22 Chairman. She will be very, very helpful for this
23 program and we look forward to her chairmanship
24 for the good of the people of the state of
25 California.

1 Consideration of the Investment Plan, as
2 I said, is targeted for March. That's just next
3 month. And we will go through the schedule a bit
4 later too.

5 Projects that are eligible for funding.
6 I can't really see the, I can't see the
7 presentation from here but I do know it fairly
8 well by rote at this point. It is for Alternative
9 and renewable low-carbon fuel development.

10 Projects that optimize alternative fuels
11 and engine technologies.

12 Alternative and renewable low-carbon
13 fuel production.

14 Projects that decrease the fuel's life-
15 cycle carbon footprint and increase
16 sustainability.

17 There is the word sustainability again.
18 This is going to be key, a key element here.

19 Alternative and renewable fuel
20 infrastructure, fueling stations and equipment.

21 Improve light-, medium- and heavy-duty
22 vehicle technologies for better fuel efficiency.

23 We will have buy-down programs for
24 vehicles, advanced technology warranty or
25 replacement insurance, development of market

1 niches.

2 Retrofits for medium- and heavy-duty
3 vehicle fleets. Alternative and renewable fuel
4 infrastructure development, workforce training,
5 education and program promotion and develop -- we
6 will be developing technology centers of
7 excellence.

8 And analyses to support not only the
9 Investment Plan but the program and inform the
10 program as we go forward.

11 We were given many funding mechanisms
12 that we can utilize. It consists of grants,
13 contracts, loan guarantees, revolving loans,
14 consumer rebates, direct fuel subsidies. And the
15 one I like most of all is, other mechanisms as
16 necessary. And co-funding and strategic partners
17 will leverage funds.

18 So we are really looking forward to the
19 partnerships we have enjoyed with the air quality
20 management districts, possibly now the ports as
21 well. Some of the engine manufacturers that are
22 present today as well. This is a partnership
23 program, we hope to leverage our money. Not just
24 our money but we are also looking forward to the
25 funding coming from the federal government as

1 well.

2 The preferences are stated in the
3 legislation and they are to reduce life cycle
4 environmental impacts, including air and water
5 pollution, decrease life cycle greenhouse gas
6 emissions by at least ten percent and those that
7 do not adversely impact the sustainability of the
8 state's natural resources.

9 We will be using alternative fuel blends
10 of up to -- that exceed 20 percent, use existing
11 or proposed fueling infrastructure, provide non-
12 state matching funds to leverage our program,
13 provide economic benefits to California, and drive
14 new technology advancement.

15 The economic development aspect of this
16 I don't think we can stress enough because this is
17 really going to be a key I think as we develop new
18 businesses and expand the existing businesses in
19 California. This is an opportunity that we see
20 with this money. And it will be most helpful if
21 we can leverage that money with federal and
22 private investments as well.

23 In summary, we developed this Investment
24 Plan in a two steps. The first was to, as our
25 purpose is to reduce greenhouse gases and to help

1 the state achieve its climate change goals, we
2 established a feasible scenario for achieving the
3 goals that the state has.

4 Those climate change goals consist of AB
5 32, which is the Global Climate Solutions Act of
6 2006. Again, that was authored by Speaker Nunez
7 and signed by the Governor in September of 2006.
8 That sets into law the requirement that we reduce
9 our greenhouse gases back to 1990 levels by the
10 year 2020. In addition to that the 2050 goal as
11 established by Governor Schwarzenegger's Executive
12 Order, which establishes a goal of reducing our
13 greenhouse gases 80 percent below the 1990 levels
14 by the year 2050.

15 So those are the goals that we had to
16 keep in mind to properly plan for this program so
17 that we can actually achieve, work to achieve
18 those goals, through different vehicles and fuels
19 that will be developed, some of which we are not
20 even aware of now. This is 41 years out. But we
21 are keeping an eye on that trajectory, what would
22 be necessary to achieve those goals.

23 These are not just goals though. These
24 are, as far as I am concerned, one of the biggest
25 challenges we have as a species. The earth is

1 going to be suffering from climate change and we
2 are all aware of this. We have even gone backward
3 in the last year, even as aware of climate change
4 as we are we have reversed our field a bit and
5 actually increased our greenhouse gases in the
6 last year. That's a trend we need to turn around.
7 I don't think there's any more important endeavor
8 that we are all charged with right now is to
9 reverse that trend.

10 This is a summary of the evaluation that
11 we did using the Alternative Fuels Plan 2050
12 Vision. That was the Alternative Fuels Plan that
13 was adopted by the Energy Commission and the Air
14 Resources Board in December of 2007. We basically
15 did kind of a back-casting from the 2050 Vision
16 and populated it with our CALCARS model and came
17 up with these results.

18 As you see in the green, those are the
19 advanced biofuels. Those are the GHG emission
20 reductions that we can accumulate over time from
21 now until 2050. The blue are the fuel economy
22 improvements that we hope to achieve by that time.
23 The yellow are the electric drive and hydrogen
24 contributions to GHG reduction. And at the bottom
25 in the red, the natural gas, propane and renewable

1 diesel projections for GHG reduction over time.

2 That is not to say that this is a
3 stagnant look. As a matter of fact the analysis
4 that we did showed that there's an awful lot more
5 -- a lot more information is needed to fully
6 populate this scenario and others as we try to
7 achieve the trajectory to achieve the 2050 goals
8 and the 2020 goals as well.

9 Step 2 of this was looking at and
10 preparing a Gap Analysis. This is an analysis of
11 what funding is available for the different
12 vehicles and technologies that we have out there.
13 What is being done in research and development,
14 demonstration, deployment.

15 And so from that we can determine where
16 the gaps are, where our funding is necessary.
17 Once those gaps were identified we also, working
18 with potential stakeholders and partners to find
19 out which of those gaps they could potentially
20 fill. Those that remain are ones that we will be
21 targeting for this program.

22 That is not to say that we -- This is
23 not a stagnant look. We will be continuing on
24 with this as we go forward. This is the
25 preliminary look and we want to populate this and

1 find out more about the proper trajectory and keep
2 abreast of all the vehicle technology developments
3 and fuel developments as we go forward. So this
4 is not a stagnant look. It will be one that goes
5 forward from here.

6 We are looking to our stakeholders and
7 our potential partners to help us determine where
8 those gaps still exist. We understand that some
9 of these gaps could be taken up by the
10 stakeholders and the partners so we would like to,
11 like to have that information so to make sure that
12 we don't apply funding where it is not needed.

13 We have ultimate flexibility in this
14 program year to year and within a fiscal year we
15 can change the allocations that we will be going
16 over here. We want to make sure that we are
17 nimble enough to respond to the ever-changing
18 developments and opportunities in energy,
19 environment and the economy especially.

20 For the next portion of this I would
21 like to call on my colleague, Tim Olson, to take
22 us through the different categories for funding
23 that we have established in the Investment Plan.

24 MR. OLSON: Thanks, Peter. What I would
25 like to do is walk through this convention. Kind

1 of what we are using as a framework convention to
2 describe all the different kind of allocation
3 proposals. And wade in a little bit into fuel-by-
4 fuel, technology-by-technology. How we see the
5 proposed allocation.

6 And I think that's a good point to
7 remind you that our workshops through today, we
8 are reflecting our Energy Commission staff
9 viewpoint of how this should be done. We have had
10 lots of interactions with our Commissioners but it
11 is still an opportunity, this process is still an
12 opportunity to influence the final outcome. How
13 we allocate funding, the rationale for that, and
14 maybe even timing. So your comments at this
15 workshop and also maybe even in writing into our
16 record, our docket, are really important to us.

17 So the way we started this is the super-
18 ultra-low, ultra-low and low-carbon. It's a
19 structure to kind of show you where the options
20 fall based on the relative greenhouse gas emission
21 reduction potential. And also we recognize that
22 that system can be seen as really rigid and we
23 acknowledge that depending on -- each fuel and
24 technology may have a different kind of
25 classification depending on the origin of the

1 fuel, the feedstock, lots of efficiency factors.

2 And that as you see in our report that
3 we are stating electric drive and hydrogen fall
4 under the super-ultra-low. Well it depends on the
5 feedstock. So if it is a natural gas reformulated
6 hydrogen source it is not going to be in the
7 super-ultra-low category, it is going to be a
8 different category.

9 In the same account, a biomethane source
10 of natural gas going into a CNG/LNG type of engine
11 is going to be a higher, is going to be a more
12 improved environmental footprint than just North
13 American natural gas. You need to look at it as
14 kind of a flexible standpoint. And we are just
15 using this as a convention to show the relative
16 greenhouse gas benefits.

17 The funding allocation, as you see --
18 you'll see, you'll see a theme throughout this
19 that funding allocations follow what Peter called
20 the flexibility. We have lots of authority, lots
21 of flexibility in the legislation to allow us to
22 fund projects.

23 But for the most part when you sum it up
24 we are going to see projects and we think the
25 categories are going to be more like we are going

1 to have fuel production kind of proposals. We are
2 going to have fuel storage, blending proposals.

3 We are going to have a category for
4 vehicles, two different types of things there.
5 Vehicle rebates for technology that is close to
6 commercialization, ready to go, a deployment
7 strategy. Another vehicle category is likely to
8 be a vehicle cost-sharing, prototype engine
9 development, a different engine platform. The new
10 technology that is near-term, ready to go into the
11 marketplace but needs some demonstration and maybe
12 some prototype development.

13 We are also likely to see a category
14 that is related to the vehicle infrastructure.
15 Fueling pumps, fueling systems. That can cover a
16 lot of different fuel technologies.

17 We have also got a category that we call
18 manufacturing incentives. And that, the point of
19 that is to reward and try to retain, expand and
20 recruit manufacturing in the state in what we call
21 these strategic industries. And we are willing to
22 provide incentives and we will go into a little
23 more detail on that.

24 And then there is also, we want to --
25 When you sum this up we also want to aim some of

1 the incentives at the consumers, the individuals
2 and the fleets.

3 And then there are some other things
4 that we are doing with workforce training and some
5 analytical things. SO that is kind of the
6 overview and we are going to go through each one
7 of these in a little more detail. Let's go to the
8 next slide, please.

9 So this electric drive is one of the --
10 when you start slicing this up another way, fuel-
11 by-fuel, technology-by-technology, this is what we
12 are proposing in our Investment Plan in terms of
13 an allocation. We want to set aside money for
14 vehicle rebates. And that would be aimed at a
15 number of different things.

16 But in electric drive what we want to do
17 is, in conjunction with the Air Resources Board,
18 conduct a program providing rebates for electric
19 drive. So the way we view this, plug-in electric,
20 battery electric, both from automakers, OEM
21 products. And we want to open the door to
22 refurbishment and retrofits. This is a -- This is
23 an area that the Air Resources Board doesn't
24 necessarily agree with. The Energy Commission
25 staff feels that there is an opportunity here and

1 we are interested in pursuing this.

2 What we think is the time frame that
3 Peter is talking about is from now. Very shortly
4 proceeding with some solicitations. So within the
5 next couple of months. Through June 30, 2010.
6 That's the time frame that this \$176 million is
7 coming to us. We have ability to extend beyond
8 that June 30, 2010 date. We have two years to
9 encumber the money every year we get it. But we
10 don't want to, we don't want to drag that out
11 because within another year we are going to have
12 another \$120 million coming in. So it doesn't
13 make any sense for us to try to postpone or delay
14 things if we have good proposals, demand for
15 projects and get the money out there.

16 So in essence what we are down to is two
17 years of funding and looking at about 15 months of
18 implementation time just to get the money
19 encumbered. The actual liquidation can go much
20 longer than that.

21 And that time frame for these electric
22 vehicle rebates, we are looking at 500 to 1,000
23 projects or vehicles that we see are going to come
24 into the marketplace that we know of demand at
25 this point. That's kind of where we are on this.

1 Shortly after that within the next year
2 we think that is going to expand pretty rapidly.
3 The OEM projects are going to come in 2010, late
4 2010, 2011. Probably going to double or triple in
5 that time frame.

6 Another area that we are proposing co-
7 funding is vehicle pre-production prototypes. And
8 this would be for two different kind of
9 categories. It could be for light-duty but really
10 primarily for the medium-duty, heavy-duty.

11 And what types of things are we
12 interested in? Well again, one program likely to
13 be in conjunction with the Air Resources Board
14 with their AB 118 money is this getting new
15 hydraulic, diesel hydraulic hybrid technology into
16 the marketplace.

17 And probably numbers of 1,000 to 2,000
18 vehicles per year. It may be higher than that.
19 But in essence our goal is to get in the range of,
20 I think Bill Van Amburg may comment on this, get
21 in the range of three to five thousand vehicles
22 per year to get to that point where you get three
23 to five engine truck manufacturers providing
24 products.

25 And we can start accelerating from the

1 diesel hydraulic or diesel hybrid or diesel
2 hydraulic hybrid parallel into some new
3 technologies. The purpose of the prototypes:
4 explore things like series technology, battery
5 electric plug-in, accessorizing -- electrifying
6 accessories on trucks and exploring a natural gas
7 or other non-petroleum-based fuel in those trucks.
8 So that's kind of what we are interested in over
9 about a three to five year time frame.

10 In the next 15 months we are probably
11 going to put some money in conjunction with the
12 Air Resources Board into those early projects that
13 are ready for market. The ones that are in
14 deployment stage ready to go into rebates. The
15 prototypes on the more advanced technologies, ones
16 and twos. Looking at various applications like
17 refuse trucks, drayage trucks, transit, school
18 bus, utility bucket truck, package delivery.
19 Those are the markets that we think offer some
20 penetration, early adoption, and their drive
21 cycles are matched to these new technologies.

22 We would also like to in the electric
23 drive area start seeding money in the electric
24 charge infrastructure. In California there are to
25 our knowledge about 4500 existing charge points.

1 We think around 3,000 are going to be candidates
2 for upgrading so that they will be accessible for
3 all the plug-in hybrids when they are coming into
4 the marketplace. In addition to that we would
5 like to put -- So we are interested in spending
6 money on upgrading those charge points.

7 We are also interested in putting money
8 into new charging stations. And there are some
9 really good business models out there, different
10 companies that are good candidates to do this type
11 of work. So we think the demand is there, we
12 think the potential is there and we are proposing
13 to put some money together.

14 We also in electric drive hope to put
15 money into the non-road/off-road. This is where
16 the port applications would come into effect.
17 Some of those things we would highlight,
18 definitely truck refrigeration units, maybe some
19 of the port cranes.

20 A lot of truck stop electrification
21 potential throughout the state. Just on TRUs,
22 truck refrigeration units, about a quarter of the
23 200,000 trucks in California use TRU systems so
24 they are a good market for this, switching from
25 diesel to an electric application. So that's kind

1 of -- And what do we see there? Maybe 500 to
2 1,000 of those kinds of projects in this time
3 frame, the first, first two years of our funding.

4 The cost on these. So one of the
5 questions that might be asked, well have you
6 looked at the cost of this? We need some -- As we
7 go through we are going to be looking very closely
8 at the differential costs. On a rebate for a
9 vehicle we will want to look at what's the
10 differential cost of an electric drive vehicle
11 compared to a gasoline or diesel counterpart.

12 What are the tax credits that are
13 applied, that are available from the federal
14 government? Can they be applied? If you are a
15 municipal government and can't get those tax
16 credits there might be some avenues or ways to do
17 that. But in essence we are going to look at the
18 balance in terms of differential and look closely
19 whether we can cover that full differential cost
20 or part of it.

21 So there's a formula that varies from
22 project to project. With electric drive a lot of
23 the federal credits depend on the size of the
24 battery and the capacity of the vehicle. So the
25 maximum is about 7500 per vehicle, in some cases

1 it is much lower. So that's kind of the electric
2 drive approach.

3 Let's go to the next slide on hydrogen.
4 And what we are proposing here is -- no, we are
5 not proposing to provide any vehicle rebates. In
6 the most part these are very expensive vehicles,
7 almost in a kind of early or advanced prototype
8 stage. They are in the marketplace but they are
9 for the most part not, as many of you know, not
10 sold, they are really leased by automakers and
11 they are in trial fleets.

12 So we are not proposing to co-fund those
13 vehicles but we are proposing to cover some of the
14 costs, the cost-sharing of the infrastructure for
15 those vehicles. So we have got kind of a dual
16 approach there. We are willing to put aside money
17 for the OEM products and where their customers --
18 providing cost-sharing for fueling infrastructure
19 where their customers are located.

20 We are also interested in exploring what
21 we call the multiple use applications. Hydrogen
22 use in vehicles, OEM products, but also in transit
23 systems. We know that the hydrogen also has a big
24 potential with forklifts in distribution centers
25 and there are several other applications there.

1 So in essence we are posing this question. Can
2 you locate a fueling station that might be able to
3 service more than one application and might even
4 have a different, even if it's a distribution
5 center with a fueling application for forklifts,
6 and a public access for vehicles. We don't know
7 whether that's a potential but we want to explore
8 that.

9 We also want to, in hydrogen want to
10 dedicate some money to help the development of the
11 renewable sources of hydrogen. So right now by
12 state law, any funding that goes into hydrogen
13 development from the state government, we need to
14 have a third of the resource from a renewable
15 source. So we are willing to put some of our
16 money into the development of some of those
17 renewable sources.

18 What might they be? It might be a
19 biomethane source that you are extracting hydrogen
20 from. It might be a wastewater treatment plant
21 type of application. There are several companies
22 that want to explore this and they have access to
23 those sources.

24 And we also may be open to vehicle
25 demonstrations in hydrogen, whether it is in a

1 transit or other type of application. We might
2 even be open to hydrogen ICE applications if you
3 can show that there is a transition to a lower
4 greenhouse gas emission fuel cell type of product
5 in the future. So we want to hear those ideas as
6 we are going forward on this.

7 Let's go to the next category, ultra-
8 low-carbon. I kind of mentioned that. For the
9 most part this covers the biofuels. But there are
10 instances where natural gas will come into this
11 area depending on the feedstock. And let's go to
12 the next slide where I can get into the actual
13 details of the biofuels.

14 So in this case our expectation is that
15 the marketplace is handling most of the vehicle
16 applications and that unless we hear otherwise
17 that there is no need for vehicle rebates or
18 incentives. Maybe we are hearing some things --
19 And I'm speaking mainly in the light-duty sector.
20 But we may be interested in some of the heavy-duty
21 if there are some barriers or channels that need
22 addressing and our funding makes sense for it.
23 But for the most part what we are talking about is
24 a range of things from the fuel production, fuel
25 blending and the fuel infrastructure.

1 Fuel production, a little bit of a
2 challenge there given that even though we have
3 \$176 million and around 120 rolling in after that
4 every year, most of the biofuel production plants
5 are low-end, 45 to 50 million dollars, high-end,
6 200 million dollar projects. So we are asking
7 this question, how are -- if we are doing some
8 kind of allocation of money on a fair basis are we
9 going to really have more than ten million, five
10 million, ten million dollars for any kind of
11 project like a biofuel production? Maybe not.

12 But you can look at it in a number of
13 ways. And one of the things we are asking people
14 to consider is quite often these projects take two
15 or three year construction year -- two-year/three-
16 year construction time frames and we are asking
17 people to kind of break down the project into
18 stages.

19 So an initial stage would be a
20 feasibility step. Quite often investors are
21 requiring this now for these kinds of investments.
22 Time frames can be six months to a year. At the
23 end, the end of that point the project has
24 obtained the permits and ready to go to
25 construction. That's an area that we think the

1 Energy Commission funding can have some influence.
2 Screening, evaluating, getting the project to the
3 point where it is investment-ready.

4 And also from the standpoint of defining
5 what the environmental impacts of those biofuel
6 production plants are. Using that feasibility
7 step to influence our decision-makers on whether
8 they want to spend additional money on a fuel
9 production incentive. So that might be the
10 approach we take.

11 These projects may be also suited for
12 loans or loan guarantees. Particularly the large
13 amounts of money and close to commercial
14 availability. So we do have the capability of
15 taking say a \$3 million award. It could be in the
16 form of cash. Or it could be used, that same \$3
17 million can generate 10 to 1, up to 18 to 1 debt
18 pool for that same project. So we are open to
19 that approach.

20 We can explore through our funding
21 arrangements to get a loan guarantee system in the
22 State of California through the State Treasurer's
23 office and also the State Infrastructure Bank. We
24 can use those kind of methods to buy down
25 commercial bank interest rates, cover the default

1 rate, the potential default on loans and also
2 cover the transaction cost of loans. So we are
3 open to this not just on infrastructure but even
4 on vehicles if there is a significant program that
5 you think might merit a loan approach.

6 The other kind of project that we are
7 going to see in biofuels is the fuel blending.
8 This is primarily biodiesel renewable diesel. We
9 think there's a challenge out there, a barrier of
10 trying to get logistically -- to grow this
11 potential fuel from around 40 million gallons a
12 year to the 400, 500 million gallons per year.

13 It is going to take terminal blending.
14 Most of the companies, all of the companies in
15 this field are independent, fairly small, mid-
16 size. They are not major oil companies. And
17 there is going to -- there right now is a logistic
18 Northern California/Southern California issue with
19 having enough capacity to expand that fuel. So we
20 are open to providing some, some seed funding to
21 get those two or three projects established.

22 We also would like to see expansion of
23 the ethanol from the E-10, E-5.7, E-10 blend to an
24 E-85, closer to a neat fuel. And to do that you
25 are going to need additional fueling stations. We

1 estimated in our analysis that we will need about
2 2,000 of those station pumps. Those stations
3 located in urban areas, strategic points in
4 California. And at that point we will have a
5 foundation for that type of distribution.

6 Right now there are 400,000 flexible
7 fuel vehicles in California that can use that
8 fuel. Every Detroit automaker has committed to
9 half of their new vehicles will be FFVs. FFVs
10 have the ability to use the low blends, they also
11 have the ability to use the E-85. So we think
12 that in this next funding round we would like to
13 propose funding of anywhere from, it could be
14 anywhere from 50 to 200 of those kind of sites in
15 the state. And we are looking at a cost-share way
16 of doing that.

17 I just wanted to mention that on the
18 fuel production facility that may be our biggest
19 challenge. What would happen if we do nothing in
20 that area and just kind of proceed as if it may
21 happen or not happen? There is a policy that we
22 are trying to address here and that's this
23 California Bioenergy Action Plan in which the
24 objective is an Executive Order signed by the
25 Governor, also a plan that involves several

1 agencies.

2 And the idea is to build these projects
3 in California. There's definitely economic
4 benefits of doing this to meet the goals that are
5 stated in that plan. In 2020 and 2050 we will
6 need 30 to 60 of these projects located in
7 California. If we don't do that then it will be
8 imported fuel and we will just have to follow the
9 Low-Carbon Fuel Standard requirement to sell it.

10 Let's go to low-carbon fuels. And this
11 again, as Peter mentioned, the natural gas and
12 propane would fall into this category. Let's go
13 to the next slide and we will go into a couple of
14 details.

15 Natural gas. We suspect -- This is an
16 area we would like to provide incentive for a
17 number of areas. You will notice in our
18 Investment Plan that this has a, when you look at
19 the total amount of money allocated here it is
20 significant compared to the other categories. And
21 it reflects our, our kind of summing up of what is
22 going on in the marketplace and the responses we
23 are seeing of practical, real projects that could
24 come forward. We would like to see higher
25 greenhouse gas emission reduction benefits but we

1 think this is a good option. You still get
2 something pretty significant and earlier than
3 other fuels and technologies.

4 With natural gas we also will propose to
5 provide vehicle rebates. There is one category in
6 the OEM product light-duty. There is one
7 automaker, Honda makes a vehicle. They are going
8 to be a candidate for those rebates. In the
9 medium-duty/heavy-duty, a whole range of
10 applications that are going to be candidates. And
11 again, we are looking at differential costs. The
12 rebate idea is the differential cost between a
13 gasoline/diesel and this case a natural gas or
14 propane option.

15 And again, we want to look at what are
16 the federal credits that offset that and then what
17 is the remaining balance that we would look at. I
18 suspect most of these are going to be for medium-
19 duty/heavy-duty. If there are significant numbers
20 we are going to be looking at a negotiated
21 differential cost.

22 For vehicles -- We also would like to
23 put money into the vehicle prototype development.
24 Again, we would like to see an expansion of more
25 than one engine platform beyond the Cummins

1 Westport option and we are willing to put money
2 into that area to help create that new engine.
3 And we would like to see that applied in different
4 configurations with hybrid technology.

5 The same thing with propane. We do not
6 expect a lot of options on propane to come
7 forward. But we know that there are some
8 retrofits and refurbishments that we think will be
9 candidates and there could be some prototype
10 development there.

11 We also would like to put money into --
12 just going back on the vehicle development,
13 technology development. I mentioned some of the
14 applications before. The same type of
15 applications of natural gas, refuse, drayage,
16 transit, school buses, package delivery, utility.
17 There may be others that we want to look at.

18 In infrastructure we are willing to set
19 aside some money for natural gas infrastructure
20 but for the most part we want to look at a couple
21 of approaches here. We think there are about 150,
22 200 different existing fueling stations, mostly in
23 Southern California. Most of them are under-
24 utilized and so before we put money into new
25 projects we want to see that capacity upgraded.

1 Some strategies on how to upgrade. And that might
2 mean more public access, it might be other
3 strategies you can think of.

4 We know of some infrastructure that is
5 aging and will be candidates for this money just
6 to make an improvement so that it can service
7 existing natural gas fleets. We also suspect that
8 we will set aside some money for new projects.
9 How many? Maybe, I don't know, maybe 15, 20 but
10 not significant numbers.

11 We also in the natural gas area would
12 like to explore bringing lower greenhouse gas
13 emission fuels into the market through natural gas
14 sources. That could be biomethane, it could be
15 hythane, HCNG blend with hydrogen. We want to
16 look at those kind of options. How natural gas
17 can show its benefits as a transition fuel. Not
18 only dedicated by itself but also as a transition
19 fuel to some of these other areas. And looking
20 for some demonstrations or some commercial
21 applications of that.

22 So let's go on to the next one. And
23 propane I think is primarily limited to vehicle
24 rebate for refurbishments. It could cover some
25 infrastructure but it kind of depends on what we

1 see. We haven't seen a lot of proposals at this
2 point or proposal ideas.

3 Let's go to that slide there on vehicle
4 efficiency. So there's a category here that we
5 wanted to set aside funding and I think it is
6 around \$22 million for vehicle efficiency, whether
7 it is a system, a vehicle component part. This is
8 another area we want to explore. New engine
9 designs, propulsion systems. Any kind of
10 technology on a vehicle that is going to improve
11 the efficiency of the operation, improve the
12 efficiency of maybe moving the goods or people.
13 We are open to lots of, lots of ideas here.
14 Likely to be kind of cost-shared kind of
15 demonstration type of projects at this point.

16 And let's go to the next category. Go
17 to the next, the next slide after this one. Yes,
18 right here. I'm out of order here.

19 We have several categories we call non-
20 GHG reduction categories. So these are the things
21 I mentioned before, the workforce training, the
22 sustainability work, some codes and standards
23 development and the kind of education programs.

24 For the most part these are going to be,
25 some of these programs could be with other

1 government agencies like the standards and
2 guidelines type of thing. We definitely need some
3 work in the hydrogen fuel standard setting,
4 biodiesel above the E-5 standard setting. That is
5 going to require at least one government agency in
6 Sacramento so we are in discussions on providing
7 some resources to develop those.

8 The sustainability category is important
9 to us. It is really the key. It's is one of the,
10 it is the key driving factor around projects. So
11 you will see that in the criteria as we are
12 putting out our solicitations and our funding
13 agreements.

14 So what we have concluded is we need a
15 method to track some of this stuff and we are
16 looking at a number of different ideas on how to
17 monitor, how to record greenhouse gas emissions.
18 And as we are looking at kind of the origin,
19 particularly of biofuels, the origin of the fuels,
20 the pathway. We need some kind of protocol and
21 tracking system. And that's what this refers to.
22 It could be other ideas that we hear from people.

23 But in essence we are looking at trying
24 to develop a tracking system, best management
25 practices. A number of different things that will

1 help us record and monitor and evaluate what's
2 happened. What kind of greenhouse gases did we
3 get, what was the impact going back to the origin
4 of the fuel. For the most part since that is the
5 real key criteria we kind of recognize that we are
6 going to have to spend some effort and time and
7 make sure we are managing that and evaluating that
8 properly.

9 Workforce training and education. Quite
10 a few proposal ideas from a couple of different
11 state agencies. Working with probably community
12 colleges, some different training, existing
13 workforce training programs. This is an area
14 where we, where we think a lot of creativity and
15 new ideas we are hoping to see come forward to us.
16 Let's go to the next slide.

17 And just a couple of things on analysis.
18 We have another RFP that is on the street right
19 now attempting to hire experts to help us
20 contract, under contract to us to help in these
21 evaluations and seeking out the co-funding. A
22 whole range of things we are going to need to
23 support us technically in this. And that is a
24 separate, that is not funding coming out of our AB
25 118. It is a separate category that is just for

1 our support work.

2 And let's go on to the next slide. So
3 one other category is this area where we are
4 willing to provide incentives to, as I mentioned
5 before, retain, expand, recruit manufacturing in
6 California. That could be -- Ideally it could be
7 a vehicle manufacturing plant, more than likely it
8 would be a component part. It could be an
9 assembly type of system. And it doesn't stop --
10 limited to vehicles. It could be manufacturing of
11 equipment that is used to produce other products.

12 Right now there is some existing, there
13 is one significant existing incentive from our
14 Governor's office and that is waiving the sales
15 tax on the purchase of equipment used in
16 manufacturing. One company has received that as
17 -- Well actually more than one I think at this
18 point but one is notable. The Tesla manufacturing
19 plant used this incentive to basically expand
20 their manufacturing in the San Jose area. The
21 incentive was a significant, several million
22 dollar offset that they didn't have to pay, just
23 to keep, stay in California.

24 And part of that, the rationale for that
25 by the way is California is one, I think it is the

1 only state that has double sales tax manufacturing
2 equipment. It is a peculiar thing in law that
3 most of the other states don't even have a tax on
4 this. In essence the Governor sees this as
5 leveling the playing field, that is why he is
6 willing to provide it.

7 We can use our money to augment that in
8 a variety of ways. And also in conjunction with
9 enterprise zones and other local incentives. So
10 that's something to keep in mind in addition to an
11 actual project or product. It's the manufacturing
12 equipment that might accompany that.

13 And let's go to the next slide and I
14 think we are -- Oh, this is a summary in the
15 report of the kind of breakdown by those, that
16 convention, ultra-low, super-ultra-low low carbon,
17 and then the other non-GHG.

18 In essence, how was this created? Based
19 on our analytical work. But also reflecting kind
20 of ground truthing practical ideas and proposals
21 that we have heard from people over the last six
22 months. I think Peter and I and others have been
23 involved in close to, I'd say, 150 different
24 meeting with people. We have gotten lots of good
25 input on this. These workshops are another step

1 in that. And we are ready to start awarding money
2 as soon as we can go through these other stages.
3 And I think the next slide goes back to Peter.

4 MR. WARD: Thanks, Tim. I want to go
5 over the Advisory Committee. As I mentioned we
6 have an Advisory Committee established by the
7 statute and they have been helping to guide the
8 development of this Investment Plan.

9 We had our fifth meeting on January 8
10 and some of the recommendations that they gave us
11 include the following:

12 The mentioned that we should be
13 emphasizing more on 2050 as opposed to 2020. Most
14 of the funding that you see there was developed
15 for 2020. That is the statutory requirement of AB
16 32, the Global Climate Solutions Act, of achieving
17 1990 GHG levels by the year 2020.

18 They mentioned that more dollars should
19 be dedicated to the super-ultra-low-carbon
20 category. That is the electric drive and the
21 hydrogen.

22 Mixed feedback on the benefit of funding
23 retrofit and conversion projects. In other words,
24 we had some on the Advisory Committee that
25 supported that, some thought it was not a good

1 idea, so it was mixed.

2 There was stronger support for EV
3 fueling infrastructure and distribution-level
4 infrastructure.

5 More focus on the economic development
6 as a potential for the program. That is something
7 we certainly all agree on at this point. This is
8 something that has really risen to the top as far
9 as in our view in the last six months and probably
10 in everybody's view as well.

11 Additionally they said there was a need
12 for a better understanding of how sustainability
13 criteria will be applied to the competitive
14 solicitation process that we will be coming up
15 with.

16 More support is needed for the high-risk
17 technologies.

18 Need to develop a more compelling
19 argument for the program. I don't think that
20 there is much more of a compelling argument than
21 the system that we know as earth is going to be
22 failing us and imperil our future as a species on
23 the planet. It is certainly ever-present in our,
24 in our program development and it is the number
25 one purpose of the program established by statute.

1 The cycle. They suggested that we cycle
2 returns from investments backs into the program.
3 And this is a little bit problematic because this
4 is a seven year program and many of the projects
5 that we would fund may not have a return that
6 could be adequately utilized in the out years. So
7 we have taken our comment. We would like to
8 investigate how we can do that. But it is not
9 clear to us right now how many would.

10 And need a stronger link between the K
11 through 12 education and workforce development.
12 We are going to be having a presentation on
13 workforce development from our panel today.

14 Next is our program implementation
15 schedule. As I mentioned these are the four
16 public workshops. This is the fourth of four that
17 we are holding here at the port.

18 Next month we will be completing the
19 revision of the Investment Plan. The staff draft
20 Investment Plan will turn into a Committee final
21 document and then we hope to have that taken up at
22 a Commission Business Meeting in March.

23 In spring of 2009, I am not saying any
24 one month but spring, we are hoping to be able to
25 release the solicitations.

1 As Tim mentioned, we have several
2 parallel paths going forward, one of which was the
3 establishment of regulations that were required to
4 clarify the statute language for us. Those have
5 been filed with the with the Office of
6 Administrative Law.

7 We have just I think completed our 45
8 day review period I think as of yesterday and
9 hopefully we will be going forward to be in
10 schedule to have those enacted by the Secretary of
11 State in late May. That is when the money can
12 flow, once we get those regulations established by
13 the Secretary of State and not until. But that
14 doesn't mean we can't do other things.

15 Another one of these parallel paths, in
16 addition to the regulation development and the
17 Investment Plan preparation that we are talking
18 about today. We have begun the process of
19 preparing solicitations in each of these areas
20 that Tim described and we are hoping to release
21 those, as I say, in the season of spring. Not in
22 any one particular month but the sooner the
23 better.

24 What we hope to do is to be in a
25 position to actually fund projects the day after

1 the Secretary of State enacts our regulations
2 into, into statute. That means we would be going
3 out to solicitations, receiving proposals back,
4 evaluate those proposals, go to a Commission
5 Business Meeting for approval of those recommended
6 proposals, and have those in queue, if you will,
7 for the time that the Secretary of State enacts
8 those regulations. At that time the money can
9 flow.

10 We are already planning a series of
11 inter-agency agreements with other state agencies
12 to help get some of the funding out quicker to
13 necessary areas that we have identified through
14 our stakeholder process as well.

15 That is pretty much the schedule that we
16 are on. That is our presentation. I would like
17 to ask if there are any clarifying questions,
18 either from anyone in the audience right now on
19 what we have just gone over or from anybody on the
20 phone? Yes, Eric.

21 MR. NEANDRESS: You had mentioned the
22 solicitation is out there on the street right now.

23 MR. WARD: One second. Can you come up.
24 I'm sorry, I should have said this earlier. Come
25 up to the podium and identify yourself for the

1 court reporter.

2 MR. NEANDRESS: Eric Neandress with GNA.
3 You had mentioned the solicitation is on the
4 street right now. I was wondering if there is any
5 prohibition or anything like that, participating
6 in that as well as the 118 program?

7 MR. WARD: That's the technical support
8 contract.

9 MR. NEANDRESS: Correct.

10 MR. WARD: I don't think there is. No,
11 I don't think there is. You can feel free.

12 MR. NEANDRESS: Good answer. Thank you.

13 MS. MAGAYA: Peter, one question on the
14 phone.

15 MR. WARD: One question on the phone.

16 MS. MAGAYA: This is for Tim. Is it
17 possible to span across more than one of the areas
18 you described like hydrogen and biofuels or
19 biofuels and low-carbon fuels with one project?

20 MR. OLSON: So I am just going to repeat
21 that question for the recorder/transcriber here.
22 Can you cross over from one technology to another,
23 one field to another in a single proposal?

24 Yes, we think, we think that makes a lot
25 of sense. We will probably have a category just

1 for those kinds of proposal ideas that are
2 integrated and cover maybe vehicle infrastructure.
3 So part of this might be coming from say a fleet
4 or a local government or some consumer. It is
5 going to be probably a fleet for the most part or
6 some local government or business entity that
7 wants to do more than one thing. Can they? Yes,
8 of course. We'll just try to figure out how we do
9 that in a solicitation, how we set that up.

10 MR. WARD: Yes sir.

11 MR. PICARELLO: Hi, I'm Tony Picarello
12 with Westport Innovations. And I was just
13 wondering if you could expand a little bit on your
14 comment. The way I understood it is that you are
15 looking forward to putting some investment monies
16 to create a competitor to Westport or CWI. I'm
17 not quite sure what engine size you are looking
18 at. But obviously Westport and CWI has invested a
19 lot of private capital money in creating a product
20 and I am just curious on the rationale for that
21 comment, thank you.

22 MR. OLSON: Well, I wouldn't necessarily
23 -- I can see how you see it might be a competitor
24 coming into the marketplace but I think the
25 approach we are looking at it this. We are not

1 restricting Cummins or Westport or Cummins
2 Westport from pursuing some of the same things,
3 same ideas on the prototype development.

4 We would like to see that, we would like
5 to see more of your products. But for this really
6 to expand into a mass market it's got to be more
7 than one, one engine platform, or else we are
8 going to be at 97 percent dependency on petroleum
9 for the rest of the next 50 or 100 years.

10 This goes for pretty much any area.
11 From a business standpoint we have got to -- For
12 any market to develop from our standpoint you have
13 got to have three to five competitors in a
14 marketplace, working at a level where they are
15 meeting their, whether it's assembly line or
16 trigger points. And that's the ideal thing we
17 would like to see. And it may take 30 or 40 years
18 to reach that, I am not saying it is an overnight
19 type of thing.

20 So we are encouraging partnering too for
21 that to happen. We know that that's -- I am going
22 to use an -- There is an example in the fuel
23 infrastructure area where individual companies who
24 have various attributes and capabilities are
25 starting to team up. And they are doing this type

1 of thing that this person on-line asked about.

2 Can you match up different fuels in one kind of
3 proposal. In some cases it might be multiple
4 fueling sources at one location. And that, that's
5 going to require a different kind of business
6 configuration than exists today.

7 So that's the kind of creativity we
8 think has to happen for this market to mature. It
9 is not meant to -- Whether that creates
10 competition and problem for you, I am not sure how
11 you -- You are the leader in this so your company
12 is open to pursuing the same kind of projects.
13 And we are going to go with performance.

14 MS. de TAPIA: Hi, I'm Jennifer de Tapia
15 with Trillium. Just curious about, given the
16 state of the budget crisis in California, how
17 secure is this funding?

18 MR. WARD: That's an excellent question,
19 isn't it? Every day we hope for a budget solution
20 in Sacramento. We, I know, haven't gotten one. I
21 heard that there were some developments as far as
22 leadership of the different caucuses yesterday.
23 This funding is vulnerable just like any other
24 funding in California is at this point as we don't
25 have a budget.

1 Tim mentioned the work with the State
2 Treasurer's Office. Obviously it is problematic
3 at this point because our bond rating is so low.
4 We were hoping to be able to use tax-exempt bond
5 financing for some of the loan guarantees as well.
6 Until we have a budget that is not going to be
7 available either and there will probably be a four
8 to six month lag period until -- from the day we
9 get a budget until bonds become attractive again.

10 There are no assurances that we have
11 right now. We do hope that the, that the emphasis
12 that we have placed on economic development,
13 workforce training and transitioning to cleaner,
14 low carbon fuels is sufficient impetus to keep
15 this money intact. We are certainly hopeful.

16 I think California is going to be well-
17 suited to be able to use this money to match much
18 of the federal money that could be coming our
19 direction as well. I think that is particularly
20 important. A state match will help us and
21 advantage California in securing some of that
22 federal money as well. So I'm hopeful. No
23 assurances. Any other questions of a
24 clarification nature?

25 MR. HOPLER: Good morning. My name is

1 Karl Hopler from the City of Anaheim.

2 I am just wondering if you have any
3 plans to work together with some of the other
4 various regulatory agencies to kind of streamline
5 the process for getting product out there?

6 And also to try to get the different
7 rules and regulations combined. You have the
8 diesel -- you know, an electric hybrid is a
9 wonderful idea but it violates rule 1196 from the
10 Air Quality Management District so I can't buy a
11 diesel hydraulic, even though I'd like to.

12 And some of the smaller manufacturers
13 that would really like to come out with a product
14 like the Roush Ford F-150 propane, having problem
15 with the CARB, getting it certified for Southern
16 California. So now they have got to come out as
17 an after-market kit, which is not as attractive as
18 an OEM-type vehicle. So is there any plan to work
19 together with the various agencies to kind of
20 streamline this and so everybody is kind of on the
21 same page and working together? Thank you.

22 MR. WARD: Excellent question, Karl,
23 thank you. We have identified and need to support
24 the standards and certifications for the fuels,
25 vehicles, fuel stations and storage media, et

1 cetera, because I think that really is important
2 as we ready the market for these cleaner fuels and
3 more advanced vehicle technologies.

4 You raise a good point because we are
5 already engaged in discussions with the Department
6 of, the California Department of Food and Ag
7 Division of Measurement Standards and the Water
8 Resources Control Board to see if we can help with
9 some of the underground storage tank issues as
10 well. I think those are critical.

11 We do think it is important to be able
12 to ready the market, smooth the introduction of
13 these fuels, rather than apply incentives to them
14 and then help them just bump up against the
15 impediments. It is something that we have
16 identified and we are allocating funding of a non-
17 GHG category for that. We do have representatives
18 from other agencies with us today, South Coast
19 particularly, and maybe Paul in his presentation
20 later, he will probably address that as well.

21 We are trying to form partnerships with
22 other state agencies and local agencies to see if
23 we can address these things because it really
24 doesn't make sense and it really undervalues the
25 incentives we would apply in this area, if they

1 are applied just to bump up against the
2 impediments and barriers, I agree with you. So it
3 is on our radar screen. Thanks for the question.

4 Any other questions, clarification?

5 Then I would like to introduce our first
6 presenter of our stakeholder presentations. This
7 is Christopher Patton, our host for the day from
8 the Port of Los Angeles. Christopher, thank you.

9 MR. PATTON: Good morning, Peter and
10 Tim. Thank you very much for that very excellent
11 and comprehensive overview. We are very pleased
12 that we could host this here today, it is very
13 exciting.

14 My name is Christopher Patton. I am an
15 environmental affairs officer with the Port of Los
16 Angeles. I am representing Mike Christensen, our
17 deputy executive director, who regrets he couldn't
18 be here. He had to go down and attend a very
19 important meeting at City Hall this morning. I
20 will be co-presenting with Dr. Robert Kanter from
21 the Port of Long Beach. I am going to make some
22 opening comments, try to set the stage, and Dr.
23 Kanter will talk about what we see as some key
24 benefits to a strategic alliance.

25 I want to say first of all that sitting

1 here listening for the last hour, there is a
2 remarkable alignment of goals between your program
3 and what is going on here at the San Pedro Bay
4 ports, the Port of Long Beach and the Port of Los
5 Angeles. In the area of primary pollutant control
6 strategies, GHG control strategies. Fleet
7 transformation, fleet and fuel transformation,
8 fuel efficiency measures and technology
9 advancements. So I just want on behalf of both
10 ports to say at the get-go that we are really
11 excited about this and want to get to work with
12 you.

13 We have a number of significant programs
14 underway and I will very briefly go through those,
15 and some that are planned. Dr. Kanter is going to
16 discuss, as I said, what we see as some real
17 benefits to be derived from a strategic alliance
18 partnership and how your program and the
19 opportunity to co-fund some of our initiatives is
20 really going to enhance and accelerate our
21 programs. Okay, the next slide, please.

22 I think this slice really tells an
23 important story. I think Peter at the very
24 beginning of his presentation alluded to the fact
25 that goods movement was a target area under this

1 program and I can't agree more. I think that this
2 slide, and I am going to go through the bullets
3 quickly, reiterates that the goods movement sector
4 provides a high opportunity area for fulfilling
5 the goals of AB 118 and AB 32.

6 The port complex here, it is the largest
7 container port complex in the United States,
8 handling over 40 percent of all imported goods.
9 We are the fifth largest complex in the world. We
10 handle two-thirds of the total container traffic
11 passing through the west coast ports. And the
12 activities that take place here account for about
13 \$300 billion in annual trade.

14 And I think one of the things that
15 caught my ear has to do with jobs development and
16 economic development. The fact is we are a
17 tremendous economic engine, not only to this
18 region but the state of California. Responsible
19 for over a million port-supported jobs. Okay,
20 next.

21 But there are challenges. And I think
22 many of you sitting in this room are aware of
23 those challenges. They are both air quality as
24 well as greenhouse gas challenges and they are
25 significant. The South Coast Air Basin has some

1 of the worst air quality in the nation.

2 And as you can see from the pie charts
3 down below, the two ports are fairly sizable
4 contributors to primary pollutants as well as
5 diesel particulate matter. And this will increase
6 over time unless the two ports aggressively pursue
7 the plans and programs that we have underway
8 today.

9 However, since now we must be aware of
10 dual challenges, both ports have recently
11 completed emission inventories that determine what
12 our GHG or carbon footprint is from port-related
13 operations. And it is, again, not insignificant.
14 As you can see the combined footprint of both
15 ports in 2007 is about 2.8 million tons. Next,
16 please.

17 So on the primary pollutant side. And I
18 want to emphasize that I am only going to talk
19 about primary pollutants in our Clean Air Action
20 Plan, which was designed expressly to reduce the
21 environmental impact report operations. A lot of
22 those measures have co-benefits for reducing GHG
23 emissions. And increasingly we are looking at
24 strategies that meet the dual tests.

25 But the fact is we have, you know, we

1 are this huge complex, this major economic engine.
2 We are facing these environmental challenges. And
3 now there are also some regulatory challenges.
4 And so the two ports needed a response.

5 Two years ago, almost three years by the
6 way, the ports developed the Clean Air Action Plan
7 and I'll show you that in a minute.

8 But it was derived, it was a response to
9 the need for innovative strategies to address
10 really four key areas, minimizing the health risk
11 and the overall emissions from port operations.

12 Accelerating the emissions reduction
13 efforts that were already underway by our port
14 operators. In fact, many good efforts had been
15 underway for four, five, six, seven years,
16 resulting in reductions in cargo handling
17 equipment and specifically a program we are very
18 proud of which -- the shipping industry voluntary
19 participation in our vessel speed reduction
20 program.

21 We wanted both ports to set consistent,
22 project-specific and source-specific standards so
23 that our customers and our tenants were clear on
24 where we were headed and what the performance
25 requirements were going to be.

1 And then we wanted to use those
2 standards to ensure that we tracked achievement of
3 the goals.

4 And quite importantly, we set about this
5 task of developing the Clean Air Action Plan
6 because we wanted to enable port development. We
7 had not as of 2006 had a major terminal
8 modernization project in many years. And in fact
9 through terminal modernization we could achieve
10 efficiencies. We could achieve green growth. And
11 we needed to set the stage, set the framework, for
12 getting back in the business of doing that. In
13 short, we wanted to craft a plan so that we could
14 grow green. Next.

15 The Clean Air Action Plan, I am sure
16 many of you know about this. It is a partnership
17 effort developed in cooperation in both ports, the
18 Ports of Long Beach and LA, the US EPA, California
19 Air Resources Board and South Coast Air Quality
20 Management District.

21 It is a comprehensive plan. It covered
22 five major source categories, ocean-going vessels,
23 cargo handling equipment, heavy-duty trucks, rail
24 and harbor craft. And within that plan it laid
25 out the performance standards and the measures

1 that we were going to employ through various
2 mechanisms such as lease renewals and tariffs.

3 That plan is now two years old. You can
4 see that it was adopted by a joint meeting of our
5 Board Harbor Commissioners back in November of
6 2006.

7 And we are right in the process now of
8 producing the biennial CAAP update. And the
9 important thing I want to mention is that we made
10 a commitment, both ports made a commitment with
11 the first CAAP to develop baywide standards for
12 health risk reduction and emissions reduction over
13 time. That will be a key element of the upcoming
14 CAAP update, which will provide the long-term or
15 down-field view as to where we have to head.

16 A key element in the plan was that we
17 recognized that of the currently available,
18 commercially available, feasible strategies we
19 didn't have enough tools in our toolbox to get us
20 to where we needed to go. And so a key component
21 was the creation of our Technology Advancement
22 Program, to put more such tools in the toolbox.

23 As you can see this was focused on
24 primary pollutant reductions as I mentioned;
25 health risk reduction is also a key part. But

1 overall we were looking at about a 45 percent
2 reduction in the environmental footprint from port
3 operations over the first five years of the plan.

4 A key thing I want to mention. All good
5 plans need to keep report cards and we laid out a
6 series of reporting mechanisms, annual emission
7 inventories, air monitoring networks, et cetera,
8 through which we determine how well we are
9 tracking and achieving that five year, initial
10 five year goal. Next.

11 There are a number of key programs under
12 the CAAP. There are three key ones shown here,
13 which we think have a particularly good alignment
14 with the AB 118 and AB 32 goal.

15 I'm sure everybody here knows about our
16 Clean Trucks Program. It is a very ambitious
17 program to completely modernize the drayage truck
18 fleet over a period of frankly less than five
19 years. By January 1st of next year the lion's
20 share of that fleet will be brought to 2007 model
21 year standards.

22 However a key commitment that was made
23 by both ports was that in achieving this fleet
24 transformation that we wanted to strive for a
25 significant component of alternative fuel trucks

1 in that fleet transformation. Our goal is 50
2 percent and we are striving very hard to achieve
3 that.

4 It is, though, a very expensive program,
5 estimated at over \$2 billion and we have a variety
6 of funding sources. But the port drayage industry
7 is one that needed that financial assistance and
8 it is one that we specifically called out in the
9 CAAP as one that we needed to pay attention to in
10 terms of the economic assistance.

11 Fueling infrastructure is also a key
12 element of the Clean Trucks Program. We have at
13 one licensed motor carrier site an existing
14 fueling facility. And both ports are working
15 right now on developing a publicly available one,
16 a larger, publicly available one. Again, that I
17 think aligns well with your program goals.

18 Technology advancement. It is a five
19 year commitment but it will go on beyond that.
20 Both ports commit together \$3 million a year to
21 support demonstration, verification and
22 acceleration of new technology, commercial
23 availability of new technologies.

24 Again, one of the things that we look
25 for are the co-benefits in terms of primary

1 pollutant reduction coupled with GHG reduction.
2 But increasingly what we are seeing is the
3 tremendous opportunity for technology transfer to
4 other ports where we can provide the test bed for
5 that technology.

6 In one illustration or one example we
7 have also brought about and nurtured a key
8 technology, an electric yard tractor and dray
9 truck. It is in its second phase of demonstration
10 and we are proud that that particular vehicle is
11 being manufactured in the nearby community of
12 Wilmington. We hope that that's the kind of
13 synergy where we can combine environmental needs
14 with technology advancement, with jobs creation
15 and green growth. And I think we are on our way
16 to fulfilling that. We certainly want to couple
17 up with this to enhance that.

18 Shorepower. We call it AMP at the Port
19 of LA. It is shore-side power to ocean-going
20 vessels. A significant benefit in terms of
21 primary pollutant reduction. It also frankly is a
22 big, is a big contributor to GHG reduction goals.

23 Our goal, we are going to commit between
24 the two ports \$400 million to install the power
25 transmission and shorepower infrastructure for

1 container, crews and selective tanker operations.

2 Although not on this list I want to
3 mention that there are other source categories and
4 we are doing some very exciting things in those
5 other areas in terms of off-road equipment,
6 hybridization and electrification, harbor craft.

7 I think many of you saw last month the
8 unveiling of a partnership with FOSS, a
9 public/private partnership for a hybrid tug. We
10 are very excited about that. I think that meets
11 multiple goals here, fuel economy, GHG reduction,
12 primary pollutant reduction.

13 We are just in the final phase of a
14 yearlong test of an LNG switcher locomotive by
15 Pacific Cargo Lines, the switcher operator here in
16 the port. So we have a number of things going on
17 that go beyond this list.

18 I think the bottom line, literally the
19 bottom line though, is that all of these programs
20 take money. And we have some existing funding
21 sources, we are clearly looking forward to working
22 with the CEC to enhance those funding sources so
23 we can accelerate our goals. Okay, next.

24 This does kind of frame it. The two
25 ports committed about \$420 million to co-fund the

1 strategies in the CAAP. A lot of that had to do
2 with the Clean Truck Program and the shore-side
3 power infrastructure.

4 We had identified at the time a number
5 of potential funding sources to augment our own
6 revenue funds, contributions from industry, from
7 our customers, tenants. Prop 1B money, which we
8 still hope to secure, and co-funding from state
9 and federal programs. And this particular one is
10 a very exciting one to help us fill some of those
11 funding gaps.

12 And then container fees. For those of
13 you who follow the news, today we are going to
14 start collecting our container fees to help that
15 Clean Truck Program and its fleet modernization
16 goals. Okay.

17 With that I am going to turn it over to
18 Dr. Robert Kanter. He is going to describe some
19 of the areas where we think we are uniquely
20 positioned to partner with you in a strategic
21 alliance. To not only achieve your program goals
22 but to accelerate our stated goals, both in the
23 area of the primary pollutant reduction as well as
24 greenhouse gas reduction.

25 (Applause.)

1 DR. KANTER: I first of all want to
2 thank the CEC for inviting us to come here today
3 and share some of our ideas and I want to thank
4 Christopher for setting the stage for this.

5 This is a really exciting opportunity.
6 I think what you hopefully will hear is a theme.
7 Just as you have heard for the incentive programs
8 and the revitalization programs and the other
9 programs nationally and right here in the state,
10 what we are looking for is, if you will, shovel-
11 ready participants. And I think you should get
12 the sense already that the ports are shovel-ready.
13 As I go through my presentation today I hope to
14 emphasize that we think we have the ability to
15 partner with you strategically to get things
16 moving very quickly with shovel-ready programs.

17 As you know AB 32 sets out some very,
18 very aggressive goals for those of us in the
19 state. Since our ports respectively are in
20 different cities we have commitments and
21 obligations to align with the overall city
22 programs that are geared towards AB 32.

23 That being said, the ports are still
24 working very, very closely on all the strategies
25 as Christopher described because, in fact, it

1 makes a lot of sense to combine our resources
2 where we can. We do have programs that will
3 ultimately work together but also be integrated
4 into our city's programs and that is an important
5 distinction. Whereas the CAAP was somewhat
6 isolated from our cities' activities, we must as
7 departments of our cities, be very much
8 integrated. So we have got some dual
9 responsibilities here.

10 One of the key things that was mentioned
11 by Christopher is the fact that we have already
12 done inventories, complete inventories of the
13 activities here that generate greenhouse gases, as
14 well as the priority pollutants. We have a good
15 handle starting back in 2006. And those are
16 activity inventories, those are not just modeled
17 ideas. In fact we look at the mobile sources, we
18 look at their activity duty cycles and our
19 calculations are based on actually very accurate
20 data and an ability to monitor and report on the
21 changes that will occur as we go forward.

22 We have within our respective
23 organizations, again, documents that refer to very
24 port-specific programs. But again they are ones
25 that go across the entire San Pedro Bay Port

1 Complex and I'll touch on some of those today.

2 We focus on mobile sources but there are
3 indirect sources as well. Again for those of you
4 who aren't familiar, the ports are landlords. We
5 don't really operate the terminals, the vessels,
6 the trucks, the trains, but we have a very big
7 responsibility to help manage plans to reduce
8 their footprint. And so we use mechanisms within
9 our power, incentives, lease obligations, other
10 tariffs that we have the ability to implement that
11 will allow us to get at reductions from these
12 sources.

13 As Christopher indicated the CAAP was a
14 very aggressive program. Everybody who looked at
15 it said, you guys have undertaken quite a bit,
16 over \$2 billion. Well our best estimates today
17 are that our greenhouse gas programs are going to
18 far exceed that \$2.2 billion price tag. And so we
19 will do our fair share but we will not be able to
20 come up with all the funding. So that's why this
21 program and the opportunities it presents are
22 very, very exciting to us. Next slide, please.

23 Some of the projects that we have talked
24 with staff about include the following. The
25 super-ultra-low-carbon, our Clean Trucks, electric

1 trucks. As Christopher indicated we are in a
2 second generation of R&D. That's an area that we
3 believe can go much farther and provide some real
4 opportunities here. We have short-range hauls,
5 drays that these trucks can be adapted to that we
6 think will help us immensely. And hopefully some
7 technology advances will be able to take them
8 beyond the more local areas, including out to the
9 farther railyard.

10 Within our terminals we have cargo-
11 handling equipment that can be electrified. We
12 are looking at electrifying rubber tire gantry
13 cranes, which are the ones that pick up containers
14 from above. Those, again, that is an exciting
15 opportunity. Many of those are powered by
16 conventional diesel and that is a back-down from
17 diesel to zero in terms of emissions and all the
18 associated problems associated with that.

19 Shorepower is a big one. Shorepower is
20 a huge investment. The two ports are investing
21 over \$400 million right now. We expect that to be
22 an even greater number as we get into it. We
23 found one of our projects that worked on a liquid
24 bulk terminal, which is particularly new and
25 probably the first time in the world this has ever

1 been done, rose in cost from an initial cost of
2 about five to six million dollars to close to \$18
3 million. Huge costs associated with it. Mainly
4 because as you get into a project you realize,
5 particularly with regard to handling liquid bulk,
6 you have got huge safety issues. And so those
7 type of things are emerging and that's where we
8 are finding that there's additional dollars that
9 will be necessary.

10 Moving into the low-carbon area. The
11 Clean Trucks Program. Again our goal is at least
12 50 percent if not greater alternative fuel trucks
13 in the drayage fleet. LNG is certainly high on
14 the list for supporting that. As Christopher
15 indicated, in conjunction with Clean Energy we are
16 building on port property at a very reduced rent
17 rate a fueling station that will service the
18 immediate area. But there is a need for more
19 infrastructure throughout the region if we are
20 going to have this be a viable alternative. So
21 certainly this is an area where we think we can
22 work very closely with the CEC.

23 Looking at alternative diesel fuels. We
24 again believe there's promise here. It kind of
25 ties in with our technology advancement. We

1 almost on a daily basis have proposals from people
2 who have ideas. Some of them snake oil, some of
3 them aren't. But we need to verify and help
4 advance those that are promising into the
5 marketplace. We again believe this is going to be
6 very important.

7 Likewise renewable energy. With many of
8 the electric vehicles that we are proposing,
9 particularly for within terminal uses, we believe
10 that the power to charge can be drawn from
11 installations such as solar. Both ports are
12 looking actively throughout the entire harbor
13 districts for opportunities to match alternative
14 electric vehicles with fueling sites that are
15 powered by solar energy.

16 If we go in the water on our harbor
17 craft. We are working with a group to develop an
18 LNG-powered tug. We also have a hybrid tug that
19 has just been rolled out. So we are excited about
20 some of these creative ideas that have come out of
21 the industry.

22 And it is because there have been some
23 partnerships and funding provided. The ports have
24 provided incentive funding or partnership funding
25 so that we could encourage this. And it is

1 bringing people out of the woodwork with some
2 really great ideas and actually some great
3 technologies. So we think that that could be
4 integrated into this strategic partnership.

5 Overall we think the Technology
6 Advancement Program is absolutely essential. It
7 very much aligns with your goals. There's a lot
8 of good ideas out there. Under-funded folks that
9 need help and we believe we can partner and help
10 guide that.

11 We believe there is a strategic alliance
12 benefit, that is us being very closely. It will
13 align not only our goals but the goals of AB 118.
14 We think they work very nicely together. And
15 again the idea is we are shovel-ready.

16 Also the ports have had to look very
17 closely at cost-effectiveness. We definitely are
18 challenged because it is a delicate balance. You
19 have a very, very vital industry here that
20 generates jobs, it is important to the nation.

21 And you cannot put the entire burden on
22 them if you expect to continue to generate jobs.
23 Otherwise you are going to divert that cargo and
24 push it somewhere else. And that is not good for
25 California and I don't think it is good for the

1 nation.

2 So we believe that every one of our
3 projects have to go through a cost-effectiveness
4 screening. And we have done that and we will
5 continue to do that. Our boards demand it and we
6 think that we can bring that to the table working
7 with the CEC.

8 We have projects that are really lined
9 up. But particularly in our Technology
10 Advancement Program we have a laundry list of
11 projects that need to be funded. We are getting
12 to those. As Christopher indicated, we are
13 committing \$3 million per year between the two
14 ports, \$15 million total these first five years.
15 That really is great but it is a drop in the
16 bucket to what we really need. And so we would
17 believe that we can accelerate the implementation
18 of some of these projects by additional funding
19 coming through this partnership.

20 As we have already indicated the impacts
21 of port operations are felt by our local
22 communities here. That's what the driver was for
23 our CAAP program. The ports are strategically
24 sited and we are not likely to move this port into
25 the middle of Malibu so we need to reduce the

1 disproportionate impact on the communities around
2 the ports. And by working together we can do
3 that. So we think again this will give us some
4 excellent opportunities to reduce these impacts.

5 And as Christopher stated, we are an
6 economic engine. We want to keep these ports
7 viable, we want to keep these ports viable into
8 the future as trade rebounds from this temporary
9 downturn that we have. We want to be poised and
10 ready to move the goods efficiently and move them
11 in greater numbers. And so the jobs that that
12 will generate will be in excess of what we
13 currently have.

14 Looking at the two ports, five county
15 region. As Christopher indicated, we have a huge
16 impact. Somewhere in the neighborhood of about
17 700,000 to 800,000 jobs just in the five counties
18 down here in Southern California. For one port
19 about a million -- statewide 1.2 I think for the
20 two ports combined. And nationally close to three
21 million jobs direct and indirect. That's really
22 important. That's today and we are looking for
23 greater benefits into the future. So for all
24 those reasons we think it's great. Next.

25 We have had some experience with

1 incentive programs. Again, you can benefit from
2 our experience. We have had very good success
3 with our various programs that have been started
4 under the CAAP. Our vessel speed reduction
5 programs, our fuel incentive programs, our other
6 incentive programs to help our operators integrate
7 clean technologies into their terminals. Again,
8 shovel-ready. And we believe with additional
9 funding we can bring more projects to the table.

10 Because we think it is valuable to have
11 the Technology Advancement Program we believe in
12 partnering with the CEC we could benefit by having
13 membership on our advisory committee that governs
14 and guides the programs that are funded under our
15 Technology Advancement Program. So what we would
16 propose is just that, CEC involvement on the
17 Technology Advancement Program Advisory Committee,
18 helping us decide what makes sense in terms of
19 priorities for funding and how to move those
20 forward.

21 It is also a good opportunity to get
22 recognition, both for the ports and for the Energy
23 Commission with regard to these programs. We have
24 a very transparent process and we also have a very
25 good mechanism to make the results known and

1 spread that information to the public. And we
2 think that's good for all parties involved and we
3 think that it would be a very large benefit to the
4 CEC.

5 We have an obligation not only under our
6 CAAP but under our respective city programs to
7 report on an annual basis to our boards and to the
8 citizens, how we are doing. And that transparency
9 and that reporting of progress keeps everybody on
10 track, it keeps everybody honest, and is also,
11 again, it's a good mechanism or vehicle for
12 exposing the successes of the program.

13 What we think the final benefits, and
14 probably some of the most important are the
15 reductions in terms of greenhouse gases and
16 consumption. Just based on the projects that we
17 can identify that we can actually do some
18 quantification, and this is probably I would say a
19 very conservative estimate, that we believe we can
20 reduce 7.2 million gallons of petroleum
21 consumption per year, about 61,500 tons of
22 greenhouse gas per year. And of course the
23 priority pollutants of NOx and diesel particulate
24 will also be reduced.

25 So all in all I think the ports are

1 ready for this strategic alliance and partnership
2 and with that I'll conclude my remarks. I would
3 just like to submit to you our proposal for this
4 strategic partnership and we will follow it up
5 with additional hard copies for you. Thank you.

6 (Applause.)

7 MR. WARD: Thank you, Dr. Kanter. Our
8 next presenter is Andy Douglas with the Kenworth
9 Truck Company. Andy is the national sales manager
10 in the specialty markets. Andy.

11 MR. DOUGLAS: Well good morning,
12 everybody. I am going to present on behalf of the
13 commercial truck industry. A little bit different
14 viewpoint here. But I think the commercial truck
15 industry has also responded and responded very
16 quickly to meet the goals that have been outlined
17 here. I am going to talk specifically about
18 Kenworth Truck Company, whom I represent.

19 In terms of long-term technologies, yes.
20 The answer to the question is yes, we are working
21 on all of these things today. At Kenworth we have
22 an R&D budget in excess of a billion dollars. So
23 today what are we working on? Many things. We
24 are working on alternative fuels, we are working
25 on plug-in electrics. We are certainly working on

1 hydraulic hybrids and other technologies.

2 The things that you need to keep in mind
3 in terms of commercial truck is that what you are
4 seeing in the, in the automotive world does not
5 always translate to the commercial truck world.
6 Moving an automotive vehicle of two to three
7 thousand pounds down the road is quite different
8 from moving a vehicle of 80,000 pounds down the
9 road. The technologies are not always linear. In
10 some cases they are, in some cases they are not.

11 We have a proving ground up in the
12 Washington State area where we are working on all
13 of these technologies. But today what I would
14 like to touch on very quickly is what is available
15 today. What are the best available technologies
16 that we can manufacture today, commercially ready,
17 coming down our assembly lines to meet the needs
18 of the ports as well as the state of California.

19 And then finally I am going to touch on
20 the green collar jobs. Because I think a lot of
21 these technologies represent good, green collar
22 jobs for the state of California.

23 Let me touch on real quickly for those
24 of you who don't know us, Kenworth is a division
25 of PACCAR. We have been in business for over 80

1 years. We are Seattle-based.

2 We are the world's third largest
3 commercial vehicle manufacturer. We make trucks
4 anywhere from a Class 5 pick-up and delivery to
5 heavy-duty trucks that you see here in the drayage
6 applications, as well as off-road trucks that you
7 will see in oil field applications.

8 You will recognize our brands, certainly
9 here in the United States, as Kenworth and
10 Peterbilt. But around the world we also go by the
11 brands DAF and Leyland.

12 Our history has been one of innovation
13 and leadership and we are continuing that trend in
14 terms of our commitment towards green
15 technologies. First and foremost we do build
16 diesel trucks. That is a big part of what we do.
17 And I think it is a great story that I want to
18 remind everyone before we talk about some of the
19 other technologies.

20 As we look at the 2007 Emissions
21 Solution we had to accomplish a number of things.
22 This emission platform is what we are seeing the
23 ports adopt today. First and foremost, you
24 introduced the use of low-sulfur diesel.
25 Secondly, EGR, exhaust gas recirculation to

1 improve the overall emission platform. And
2 thirdly and maybe most significantly, the addition
3 of a particulate trap.

4 As we move towards 2010 our company as
5 well as the whole industry is moving quite quickly
6 to adapt to the 2010 emission platform. That will
7 add SCR to the mix here to reach those emission
8 levels. Overall here you see the goals as we
9 reach towards 2010 to move the NOx levels down to
10 .2 grams.

11 But I think the story we all have to
12 keep in mind is if you look at it over the long-
13 term from 1994 as we move to 2010, the overall
14 emission platforms for the diesel engine will be
15 improved by over 90 percent. But that is not good
16 enough. What can we do today to reach some of the
17 goals that you have adopted here, particularly
18 when we talk about greenhouse gases.

19 We are doing a number of things at
20 Kenworth. First and foremost, certainly SmartWay
21 certification for a number of our trucks. How can
22 we improve the overall efficiencies of the on-road
23 fleet. Secondly, hybrid, and thirdly, alternative
24 fuels, and namely natural gas.

25 I want to focus on LNG. Kenworth has

1 been involved here with the ports for over three
2 years now. Ramping up our production capabilities
3 along with the Westport Innovations technology to
4 meet the demands of the ports of Los Angeles and
5 Long Beach. And I would like to give you a quick
6 overview of what that looks like today.

7 At this point Kenworth is the only OE to
8 adopt the natural gas technology. We are
9 currently installing the ISX-based platform at our
10 plants. We began production of those trucks last
11 year and we are now ramping production to meet the
12 demands of the ports in 2009 and 2010.

13 If we look at 2008, over 150 LNG trucks
14 were deployed to this area and primarily in the
15 ports. Our primary application is focused
16 certainly on drayage as well as municipalities but
17 we are also seeing a call out for this technology
18 throughout the country.

19 As we talk about new technologies what
20 we are really talking about is diesel-based
21 technologies and how can we improve upon it.
22 Whether we are talking about hybrids or fuel cell
23 technologies most of it is based on diesel
24 technology.

25 The same is true with LNG. This is

1 really a diesel engine. What you see there is the
2 Cummins 15 liter ISX engine. It is modified
3 slightly. A separate engine control unit,
4 injectors and tanks are necessary. But this is a
5 diesel technology, a proven technology that
6 happens to run on natural gas.

7 So what are the benefits to the port
8 community? Certainly a reduction in diesel usage,
9 95 percent reduction to be exact. More
10 importantly over 20 percent reduction in
11 greenhouse gas, a third less NOx and this is a
12 domestic fuel and I think that is an important
13 point in today's world.

14 Also for the operators out there it's a
15 lower cost fuel. Certainly lately we have seen a
16 compression on fuel prices. But from an industry
17 perspective we expect to see all fuel prices
18 increase over the intermediate and long-term. And
19 certainly natural gas has a cost advantage over
20 the long run when compared to diesel or other
21 fuels.

22 The benefits of this system are that it
23 really operates, again, just like a diesel truck.
24 You are getting the same horsepower, you are
25 getting the same torque and you are getting the

1 same kind of fuel economy that the operators
2 expect in terms of their drayage applications.

3 There is no diminishing of performance
4 as a result of this technology, an important
5 point. Because as we look at new technology
6 oftentimes you are looking at offsets. Yes, you
7 are benefiting perhaps air quality and what is
8 coming out of the tailpipe but at what cost in
9 terms of performance. In this case we are getting
10 the best of both worlds. We are not only getting
11 diesel-like performance but we are getting
12 improved air quality and a lower cost fuel source.
13 So it is a win-win-win for certainly the
14 environment but also the operators who are using
15 the equipment.

16 This is a quick photo of one of the
17 first LNG trucks coming down our Renton,
18 Washington production facility. There you see the
19 engine which comes to us from Westport Innovations
20 in Vancouver, BC. It is set on the chassis along
21 with the tanks there. And as I mentioned, we
22 spent all of 2008 ramping our production and we
23 are now primed and ready to meet the demands of
24 the port community this year and beyond.

25 Why LNG? Simply it's the best available

1 technology. Yes we are working on innovative new
2 ideas. And maybe there are some good ones out
3 there but they are down the road, they are several
4 years out. What can we do today with the best
5 available technology and that's natural gas.

6 Here you see a study that was
7 commissioned by Westport and Clean Energy and CARB
8 and the study was done by TIAX. And you see the
9 well-to-wheels emissions and the reflection of the
10 greenhouse gas benefits here of natural gas versus
11 diesel trucks. This is on the 2007 emission
12 platform looking at 2007 emission levels for both
13 diesel as well as natural gas. So here you can
14 see the benefits on the greenhouse gas side. So
15 far and away this is the best technology that we
16 have today. Let's go to the next slide.

17 Giving you little closer look. As we
18 mentioned we are looking at goals of replacing up
19 to half or more of the 16-odd thousand trucks
20 operating in the ports today. Replacing those
21 with natural gas and LNG technology.

22 So what does that mean? We looked at
23 the overall emission platform profile over a seven
24 year period, a typical first life of a truck, and
25 what that means.

1 In terms of one truck we see a reduction
2 of nitrous oxides of 3.6 tons. If we were to
3 replace half the fleet of diesel trucks that would
4 represent nearly 30,000 tons of nitrous oxides
5 that would be reduced over that seven year life.

6 Greenhouse gas reductions, there you see
7 it. One truck representing nearly 200 tons
8 reduction in greenhouse gases. Or in the case of
9 half the drayage fleet, in excess of 1.5 million
10 tons of greenhouse gases. Certainly significant.
11 It's available technology and it is available
12 today.

13 Here is a list of some of the companies
14 that have already adopted the technology and that
15 are operating in and around the ports or in the
16 Los Angeles area. Up there you'll see many
17 familiar names.

18 As you drive across the ports, across
19 the bridges today you may very well see many of
20 these trucks operating out there. So it is
21 exciting for me to drive down, you know, the 710
22 or out here to San Pedro and begin to see some of
23 these trucks in operation. It's happening. We
24 are very excited about the future and we are very
25 committed to the ports and providing a natural gas

1 solution to their goals.

2 Real quickly I just wanted to touch on
3 hybrid. Another technology that's available.
4 Hybrids are commercially available. We are
5 building those on our assembly lines. And they
6 represent an opportunity of 30 to 50 percent
7 improvement in fuel economy as well as reduction,
8 an equivalent reduction in overall emission
9 platform.

10 These trucks can come in many
11 configurations. Certainly for us most notably is
12 Coca-Cola who has taken in excess of 400 of these
13 trucks and spread them throughout their operations
14 in North America.

15 More notably in terms of port usage.
16 This is a recent announcement of ours where we
17 brought out a tractor. This begins to blur the
18 line a little bit as we look at between a medium-
19 duty truck and a heavy duty truck. This truck
20 rates out at about 55,000 pounds and is certainly
21 capable of doing some type of work here and in the
22 ports.

23 So lastly but certainly no less
24 important is what does it mean in terms of green
25 job creation. Very important. We have looked at

1 this and we continue to look at what the
2 availability is in terms of creating jobs here in
3 the greater Los Angeles area. And we see a
4 significant opportunity to create jobs.

5 And these are good paying jobs, not only
6 -- You know, I call them green collar because
7 that's kind of a general umbrella term but they
8 are jobs that are not, you know, certainly white
9 collar type of jobs, management, sales,
10 administration, those typical type of jobs, but
11 also good technical jobs.

12 Diesel technicians, if you are not
13 aware, make a very good living. These are highly
14 trained people and in very high demand. Those
15 technicians are now being trained on natural gas
16 through the Long Beach City College here locally.
17 So they are taking their diesel technology
18 background and then increasing their specialty
19 with regard to natural gas maintenance on the
20 trucks.

21 So based upon what we see, we feel that
22 there's about 1,230 green collar jobs created for
23 every 1,000 Kenworth LNG trucks put into service.
24 What does that mean? Certainly there is one
25 driver per truck but in addition to that there's

1 many other type of jobs including maintenance
2 jobs, field service and support and other types of
3 skilled positions.

4 From our point of view our plan is to do
5 what we call final assembly here in California.
6 And what that will mean is we bring trucks from
7 one of our North American plants. We will conduct
8 our final assembly process here. That may take
9 upwards of 40 hours of labor here in the local
10 area. At this point no, we don't plan to shift an
11 entire production facility to Southern California,
12 maybe longer term, but we will bring jobs here to
13 the local area in a significant number. So I
14 think you are going to see a nice return on your
15 investment. Thank you very much.

16 (Applause.)

17 MR. WARD: Thank you, Andy. Next we
18 have Robert Mejia, who is with the South Bay
19 Workforce Investment Board and GREEN Workforce
20 Coalition. He will talk to us about workforce
21 training, which is a critical issue with our
22 economic development aspect.

23 MR. MEJIA: Good morning. I would like
24 to thank Mr. Ward and the California Energy
25 Commission for giving us this opportunity to talk

1 about green workforce development.

2 Again, my name is Robert Mejia and I am
3 manager of the South Bay Workforce Investment
4 Board. We administer federal Workforce Investment
5 Act employment training funds in a nine city area
6 here in the South Bay. And that is basically
7 Inglewood, Hawthorne, Lawndale, El Segundo, the
8 beach cities, Gardena and Carson. I am going to
9 talk about what we are doing in terms of green
10 workforce development.

11 We basically put together about a year
12 ago a group called, a voluntary group called
13 California's GREEN Workforce Coalition. It was
14 established last February. And we have got about
15 62, maybe it's 64 at this point, members. Most of
16 the educational institutions in Los Angeles County
17 are members of our coalition.

18 In fact the major workforce development
19 institutions represented by the State of
20 California are members of the coalition. They
21 include the California Employment Development
22 Department, all of the Workforce Investment Boards
23 in Los Angeles County, just about every community
24 college in LA County, the K-12 public education
25 system, the UC system and the Cal State University

1 system. There are also a number of private
2 companies as well as organized labor that are
3 members and have participated in our meetings that
4 we have pretty much held monthly over the last
5 year.

6 The mission of our coalition is to serve
7 as an alliance for the development of a skilled,
8 green workforce and a sustainable future. Our
9 goal is to prepare a green workforce that responds
10 to industry demands and supports economic
11 development and growth in our communities, in the
12 region and in the state.

13 We took a stab at coming up with a
14 working definition of a green workforce and I
15 believe it is helpful. But we suggest that it
16 really consists of two or more engaged in the
17 useful and environmentally sustainable
18 transformation of space, energy, effort,
19 information, ideas or knowledge resulting in
20 value.

21 Although California is only one of 50
22 states we do represent the world's eighth-largest
23 economy. And just about one out of every ten
24 people in the United States lives here and works
25 here.

1 To put things in a little bit of
2 context. And this really borrows from the book
3 that was on the last, one of the last slides by
4 Van Jones. And I love this quote because it
5 really, it's simple but to me it is very powerful.
6 But the United States represents approximately
7 four percent of the world's population but we
8 account for approximately a quarter of the
9 greenhouse gases in the atmosphere.

10 So that basically means that roughly one
11 out of every four carbon molecules created by
12 human activity has our name on it. So global
13 warming and its effects on the planet and the
14 long-term the effects it will have on the planet's
15 life support systems is creating a sense of
16 urgency and momentum to take action.

17 Around the country, as we are here,
18 public institutions want to do something to
19 prepare and develop a workforce with the knowledge
20 and abilities to fuel really essential economic
21 transformation. Not only because of climate
22 change but right now we have this very serious
23 economic downturn that we need to deal with.

24 So we ask ourselves, where can federal
25 workforce investments have the best, immediate and

1 long-term impacts in response to the skill needs
2 of companies that are engaged in carbon reducing
3 activities? Similarly, where should we make
4 investments to address movement by new industries
5 and companies toward more environmentally
6 conscious, industrial processes, really as a
7 response to a greater and growing understanding of
8 the climate crisis, changing consumer preferences
9 and concern for the environment.

10 What we do know is that there are
11 existing industries employing traditional workers
12 in tasks where the outcomes reduce consumption,
13 waste and pollution while new and distinct green
14 occupations are beginning to emerge.

15 As workforce developers, just within my
16 own organization, but others who engage in job
17 training, it is important that they understand
18 what traditional jobs and occupations are, what
19 traditional jobs and skill sets are being employed
20 in a more sustainable manner, what I consider
21 derivative jobs are that are focused exclusively
22 on green activities, and the method to understand
23 their differences.

24 These are some conceptual tools that we
25 are using locally. But the first is what I call

1 green root occupations. And those are basically
2 those requiring traditional knowledge skills and
3 abilities that can be applied to achieve
4 sustainable product or service outcomes. They
5 contain knowledge skills and abilities that are
6 also found in derivative occupations that support
7 sustainable activities and objectives. They might
8 omit some root KSAs or contain added KSAs.
9 Examples include computer software engineers,
10 environmental engineers or landscapers.

11 Green derivative occupations, another
12 conceptual tool, are those with traditional KSAs
13 and KSAs that have been added, mixed or eliminated
14 to achieve sustainable product or service
15 outcomes. Examples of these include
16 deconstruction workers, solar sales reps or
17 plumbers who work on solar water heating
18 collectors.

19 Third conceptual tool. Green root skill
20 sets. They are skill sets and corresponding
21 knowledge and abilities for which local demand has
22 been determined with respect to occupations needed
23 for green activities. So what is showing up here
24 on the screen is maybe a humble representation of
25 the fact that green root occupations and green

1 derivatives share a common skill set base.

2 Guiding principles for green jobs. We
3 struggled for quite a while to really understand
4 what makes a job green. We felt that if we could
5 understand that then really we would be able to
6 apply something that would hold true across a
7 number of different occupations to determine
8 whether or not they are green.

9 But basically there are three guiding
10 principles for us. What is made or provided
11 contributes to the reduction or elimination of
12 GHGs and other -- and/or other agents of
13 environmental degradation.

14 In terms of processes, how a product or
15 service is made or provided is environmentally
16 sustainable.

17 And in terms of purpose, work functions
18 and outcomes are intended to be environmentally
19 respectful and lead to value. Green-ness or
20 sustainable outcomes really should not be
21 accidental. Next slide. Wow, that's fast.

22 Here is our local, applied definition of
23 a green job. I'll give you just a few seconds to
24 look at that.

25 Outcomes-based criteria for green jobs

1 training projects. As we move forward, as we
2 receive funding to put together large-scale
3 projects and systems to train people for green
4 jobs, some of the questions that we are going to
5 be asking are what will the net energy savings be
6 as a result of the training project? What net
7 reduction in your carbon footprint will result
8 from the project? And is training needed because
9 the skills, knowledge and ability required to
10 achieve more sustainable outcomes are radically
11 different than what exists now in the workforce,
12 such that training is required?

13 And really those criteria are borrowed
14 from a report that was put out by the Texas
15 Workforce Commission that knows a little bit about
16 petroleum and carbon. So kind of borrowing from
17 that line of thinking we came up with some
18 additional criteria for evaluating service
19 occupations where the outcomes or the products
20 tend to be intangible.

21 But we are going to be asking what are
22 the primary sources consumption, waste or
23 pollution associated with a particular service
24 occupation, what mitigation measures are in place
25 in the industry in general and with targeted

1 employers specifically. Do those companies have
2 energy efficiency or sustainability plans. And
3 how does what they do contribute to sustainable
4 products, services or systems.

5 And the gentleman here who just gave his
6 presentation gave I think the perfect model of
7 exactly the kinds of information that we are going
8 to be looking for. So I would like to talk to you
9 after the presentation. Next slide.

10 The Texas Workforce Commission also
11 suggested some additional business services that
12 workforce and investment agencies can provide.
13 And they include reexamining energy consumption
14 and emissions of a company, looking at revising
15 business strategies, a redesign of production and
16 delivery processes, revision of work assignments
17 or modification of community services and
18 philanthropic efforts.

19 We have kind of developed some basically
20 strategies that we are going to incorporate in the
21 very near future to evaluate green education and
22 training programs. One is going to be at green
23 advisory panels where we will be tapping into the
24 GREEN Workforce Coalition's industry intelligence
25 group, which consists primarily of private sector

1 members, to help us evaluate courses and programs
2 to make sure that they meet industry standards.

3 We are also going to be putting together
4 a green employer certification program similar to
5 the program that we have for certifying our one-
6 stop career centers, which is based on the Malcolm
7 Baldrige Quality Award system.

8 Locally, standards-based criteria for
9 green jobs, education and training will be
10 reflected in a green education and training
11 provider directory that we are in the process of
12 establishing. We have a green root demand
13 occupation list and you will see I think just
14 about all the jobs on that list on the next few
15 slides here.

16 We will be incorporating outcomes-based
17 criteria for green jobs training projects, very
18 similar to what was just discussed on the previous
19 slides as well as the green evaluation criteria
20 for service occupations. And we will be using
21 green jobs advisory panels to validate the quality
22 of courses and programs.

23 This is -- The next three or four slides
24 reflect about 52 different occupational titles.
25 And those were taken from a larger list of about

1 120, 124 occupational titles that had pulled from
2 seven different reports on green jobs put out by
3 different organizations around the country.
4 Basically we culled through those and came up with
5 the ones that could remain on our own local list
6 based on labor market demand in Los Angeles
7 County.

8 These are traditional occupational
9 titles but what we do know is that one, they do
10 have demand in Los Angeles County. And two, they
11 do include the basic skill sets that employers
12 around the country that are engaged in sustainable
13 activities need.

14 So one of our recommendations or
15 perspectives is that we as workforce development
16 institutions is we need to continue to provide the
17 labor market, and really ultimately industry, the
18 skill sets that are needed so that those skill
19 sets can be transformed into greener versions.

20 There is an asterisk next to
21 electricians. Can you go back on that one? There
22 is an asterisk on electricians and HVAC mechanics
23 and installers and that is basically because their
24 particular growth rates are a little less than
25 county average. But there are very strong

1 indications that, particularly with the stimulus
2 money, that there is going to be at least a
3 temporary spike in demand for people who know how
4 to work in the solar area as well as with solar
5 heating systems and what have you.

6 We recently joined the SCAG Clean Cities
7 Coalition and the SCAG Clean Cities Coalition
8 recently joined our workforce coalition so we have
9 begun to work together. And they have identified
10 some job areas that they believe will be in demand
11 as a result of what's happening under AB 118.

12 AFV-certified tech and people who work
13 on the infrastructure that the Commission is very
14 much trying to help build out statewide.
15 Automotive service techs and mechanics, cleaner-
16 truck drivers, heavy- and tractor-trailer. And
17 then of course transportation and storage and
18 distribution managers. There may be some job
19 demand for people working in that occupation that
20 are kind of redeveloping their fleets, using more
21 clean vehicles. And of course in order to design
22 these systems you obviously are going to need
23 software engineers and computer systems analysts
24 among other kinds of folks.

25 The next three or four slides are

1 recommendations that we have put together, really
2 based on what we felt that could be done right now
3 by agencies like ours and others around the
4 country. But the first thing is that we need, we
5 need more current and relevant labor market
6 information and economic data as it relates to
7 green industry activity. And of course the
8 federal and state government should at every
9 opportunity promote recognition and incentive
10 systems for exemplary green employers. Next
11 slide.

12 We believe that local workforce
13 development agencies should develop green demand
14 occupation lists for their own labor markets.
15 Guiding principles for green jobs. They should
16 utilize outcomes-based criteria to evaluate
17 programs as well as green-focused -- and provide
18 green-focused employer services. They should also
19 use green evaluation criteria for service
20 occupations. And they should put together green
21 jobs panels to evaluate projects. Next slide.

22 Further they may want to consider using
23 or putting together and using green employer
24 certification systems, developing green education
25 and training provider directories. Provide

1 assistance with apprentice preparation wherever
2 possible. And put green experts on their boards
3 and advisory committees. Next slide.

4 For people who operate summer jobs or
5 summer youth training programs we are recommending
6 that they provide opportunities that give youth
7 exposure to an experience in sustainability-
8 oriented education, employment and community
9 service activities. And then tie them to
10 opportunities for year-round, year-round
11 programming.

12 They should also facilitate access to
13 secondary and post-secondary education that
14 focuses on sustainability and green career
15 pathways. In summary, the program operators
16 should also facilitate private sector job
17 opportunities with green employers. Next slide.

18 And other recommendations include
19 providing training or education for incumbent
20 workers and job seekers who have a desire and the
21 propensity to work in green science, tech,
22 engineering and mathematics, or STEM, green STEM-
23 oriented careers. And we should -- I believe it
24 might be a good idea to provide incentives for
25 currently undeclared associate, bachelor and

1 advanced degree students to focus them into green
2 STEM fields and careers.

3 Further, we should put together a
4 national campaign to encourage and enable
5 opportunities for green STEM education and careers
6 in environmental technology fields. We should
7 also provide support to high school and college-
8 bound youth who plan to pursue a green STEM
9 career. I really believe that that can be done
10 very effectively with public and community-based
11 partnerships around the country.

12 There are four dates up here; the first
13 one is this week. But we will be meeting with our
14 industry intelligence group members to get their
15 feedback on exactly how to apply the outcomes-
16 based criteria and green evaluation criteria for
17 service occupations in the application that we,
18 that we have that's open to education and training
19 providers who want to send people to receive
20 training that is funded under the Workforce
21 Investment Act. We have got four dates for them
22 to show up and we are going to pick their brains.

23 Then we will eventually in the next
24 couple of months be submitting that to our board
25 for consideration and adoption. We expect to have

1 those criteria reflected in our application by or
2 before the end of the spring.

3 We really believe that if we can get
4 that going in the next two to three months that by
5 the summer we will have a pretty robust list of
6 schools that are validated that provide training
7 for, for green jobs here in Los Angeles County.

8 So just in summary: We need to reduce
9 GHG emissions.

10 We need to develop new environmentally
11 conscious technologies and a green workforce with
12 the skills to wield them.

13 We need to develop quality, workforce
14 education programs to develop our green workforce.

15 Instruction for green jobs must meet
16 industry and government standards. Scalable and
17 effective green workforce development requires
18 public/private collaboration among a range of
19 stakeholders locally and at the regional level.

20 We believe that volunteer workforce
21 partnerships like California GREEN Workforce
22 Coalition can serve as vehicles for such
23 collaboration. The collaboration we will need to
24 develop a green workforce for a sustainable
25 future. Thank you very much.

1 (Applause.)

2 MR. WARD: Thank you, Robert. The next
3 presenter we have is Bill Van Amburg; he is a
4 senior vice president with CALSTART. And he is
5 going to talk to us about some of the activities
6 that CALSTART does in general but more specific to
7 the port as well. Bill.

8 MR. VAN AMBURG: Thanks, Peter. I spoke
9 briefly yesterday at South Coast and talked a
10 little bit more broadly about some of the
11 activities we are involved in but also our
12 thoughts as AB 118 comes out. Today I would like
13 to, as Peter mentioned, focus more specifically on
14 some of the port opportunities. And the ports are
15 tremendous partners, both for deployment and near-
16 term need as well as for technology development
17 and enhancing kind of the next wave of technology
18 improvements that need to come on top of these
19 first platforms we get out there. So next slide.

20 And one of the things I would like to
21 say, CALSTART itself is a consortium. Our goal is
22 to grow and support a clean, transportation
23 technology industry. We have been doing that
24 since 1992.

25 But really building on what Andy was

1 talking about, there is a tremendous need and
2 opportunity right now to really see these first
3 technologies that are now in production by the
4 manufacturers who are bringing natural gas, hybrid
5 technologies and others to the market now.

6 If we want the next generation of
7 improvements in those platforms we need to help
8 them sell what they have got now. Get it on the
9 road. Keep their manufacturing lines going so
10 that they can afford to continue their investments
11 for the next wave of technology enhancements we
12 want to see.

13 So I can't stress that too much. And
14 while that seems to be very focused very much on
15 the near-term I think CALSTART was very involved
16 in the creation of AB 118. It came out of a
17 recommendation of one of our blue ribbon panels.
18 We helped sponsor it with Speaker Nuñez in the
19 past. And certainly one of the key goals of AB
20 118 among other things was to start turning the
21 needle around on petroleum reduction and carbon
22 reduction as well as maintaining if not improving
23 criteria emissions. So we really need to keep our
24 eye on that prize.

25 But part of that prize is really looking

1 at those technologies. And I really do commend
2 the staff. The Energy Commission staff has, I
3 think, done a fantastic job of juggling a very
4 complex situation of looking for those things that
5 get us in the strike zone for where transportation
6 needs to be. We really can't afford to fund
7 things that only take us down one or two paths.
8 We need to find things that get us within the air
9 quality, climate change and energy security strike
10 zone. And those are the things that will give the
11 most value and will use the state funds most
12 wisely and will leverage funds most wisely.

13 So with just some quick observations
14 that we would want to share and then kind of look
15 at some port opportunities that we see from some
16 of the work we have done with our port partners.
17 Again, I think staff has done a fantastic job
18 laying out a framework that makes sense. It has a
19 rubric and metrics to it and shows the intentions.

20 I do think that we really want to stress
21 timely implementation and near term successes.
22 And Peter was mentioning, nobody knows where
23 budgets go these days. We are in difficulties. I
24 don't think the program can afford not showing
25 good, near-term, solid successes back to the

1 Legislature, particularly as you can show real
2 improvements, rubber on the road and impacts.

3 A balanced approach. And I think the
4 staff, again, has done a very good job with laying
5 out a balanced approach. CALSTART fully supports
6 both looking at medium, near-term, long-term in a
7 portfolio approach as well as multiple
8 technologies and fuels. There is no one answer,
9 there is no silver bullet. We really need to
10 spread our investments across those things that
11 get within the strike zone that I mentioned.

12 We also feel that the things that make
13 the most sense now, that get us in that strike
14 zone, will build the bridge to not only solving
15 2020 but getting us toward 2050. I don't think
16 most of us are smart enough to figure out what is
17 the absolute 2050 solution today. But we need to
18 start changing the course of the ship rapidly on
19 climate change gases in particular and then start
20 building on those solutions and finding those
21 things that actually have pathways and make sense.

22 Encouraging innovation I think is
23 incredibly important. I think the staff has set
24 out some broad categories where they would like to
25 see improvement or activity but really allowing

1 industry or fleet users, partners, to come up with
2 innovative ways of achieving the ultimate goals is
3 really what I think the Energy Commission needs to
4 be very open to.

5 And then maintain for themselves
6 flexibility. It's great to lay out kind of, this
7 is kind of how we see where the dollars could go.
8 But you shouldn't pin yourself to absolute dollars
9 in absolute categories if you get a lot of very
10 tremendous ideas that maybe cross those
11 boundaries. So that would be some of our
12 observations on a way to approach what I think has
13 been great staff work to date.

14 Now in terms of the ports. Clearly
15 there is a huge opportunity here. The ports of
16 Long Beach and Los Angeles have really stepped up
17 above ports worldwide in taking ownership over a
18 situation they don't fully control. But then
19 trying to drive solutions, both on the marine
20 side, on the vessel side, which is such a huge
21 source of the emissions, and then both the land
22 side, non-road and roadside of where so many of
23 the other emissions that are contained within the
24 port come from.

25 We have been working with ports. They

1 are members of our organization as well as we do
2 direct consulting work with them on projects. And
3 some of the interesting work that has come out of
4 it. We did some work first on LNG yard hostlers.
5 Taking the LNG fuel and engine, using it in a non-
6 road vehicle in a different kind of duty cycle
7 than drayage, which is really kind of moving cargo
8 containers around the ports. It's a very
9 difficult duty cycle.

10 And now taking another look at this with
11 a new technology using hybrid in this application.
12 So we will have three of these out. We think this
13 is another one of those areas of a very good
14 demonstration that can lead in a couple of years
15 hopefully to actual implementation, deployments.

16 We see a lot of opportunities for
17 enhancing this, certainly in the technology
18 development area, where you can add the ability to
19 do start/stop, engine off, move the vehicle
20 forward slowly without having to restart the
21 engine. There's a lot of opportunities here.

22 Just very similarly as Andy was pointing
23 out, there has been such a breakthrough now in
24 hybrid technology. Moving kind of from the
25 straight truck environment in a medium-duty work

1 truck type of application now into tractors, both
2 for beverage and kind of a regional heavy haul.
3 And now starting to push the boundaries. A couple
4 of manufacturers are moving into the far ends of
5 the Class 8 hybrid long-haul truck.

6 We certainly see applications around the
7 port very specifically for hybrid drayage. And
8 within the region, the South Coast region, hybrid
9 heavy haul. Not line haul going cross-country
10 necessary but these Class 8 trucks carrying heavy
11 cargo within the region.

12 We think this is a great opportunity
13 right now. In fact we have a working group in
14 this, a Class 8 working group. Both ports are
15 involved in it. We hope to do a fairly sizable
16 demonstration of these technologies that will lead
17 to kind of defining what is the best application
18 and duty cycle to put technologies in for a full-
19 blown deployment.

20 And we mentioned this, I won't spend too
21 much time, but this is another breakthrough area
22 where stored energy aboard vehicles can really
23 start to lead to shutting off other diesel engines
24 such as in refrigeration units and other things.
25 But particularly in port equipment off-road we are

1 also seeing this opportunity.

2 And I think down the road one of the
3 things we are also looking at is this blending of
4 the natural gas technology and alt fuel, biofuels
5 with hybrid technology or efficiency with the fuel
6 coming together. That's a huge nexus and we think
7 it is an opportunity to demonstrate at the ports
8 and achieve the AB 118 goals.

9 Now I show this simply because we are
10 starting to see some non-road advance technology.
11 In this case this is a wheel loader hybrid from
12 Volvo that is coming out later this year.

13 And going to the next slide. We have a
14 construction equipment forum that has now launched
15 and there is a huge overlap between construction
16 equipment and cargo handling equipment here at the
17 ports. A lot of the same duty cycles. Sometimes
18 the actual same equipment, sometimes just a small
19 variant of the equipment.

20 This is a tremendous area both because
21 of the pressure to reduce emissions and align with
22 on-road emissions over the next few years but the
23 great need to reduce fuel use. So this is an
24 opportunity. In fact Steve Sokolsky from our team
25 is here, he leads this effort.

1 Our first forum will actually be kicking
2 off March 16 in Long Beach at the Clean Heavy-Duty
3 Vehicle Conference. But this is another area that
4 outlines I think some tremendous opportunities to
5 take new technology into the non-road and cargo
6 handling area.

7 Real busy chart, don't try and read it.
8 But I laid this out as kind of a thought piece for
9 a port conference I attended last summer. And the
10 whole point of this is to show that there are
11 pathways for today's technologies as they start to
12 move in, where with enhancements, with different
13 fuel blends.

14 For instance in natural gas, once you
15 start building out that infrastructure, blending
16 biomethane or renewable natural gas can further
17 reduce the carbon footprint of that vehicle with
18 no change to the vehicle or the infrastructure
19 that is involved. Eventually hydrogen blending
20 could be another pathway there.

21 Similarly with hybrid technologies. As
22 you start to roll that out it allows you to do new
23 things. With electrified or advanced components
24 you can start shutting the engine down. You can
25 move the vehicle in a line without starting the

1 engine. You can really aid idle reduction.

2 So these things become the enabling
3 platforms that move towards 2020 and beyond to
4 2050. And that's kind of the vision that I think
5 we should keep in our mind as we are looking at
6 both near-term results and building the bridge for
7 the long-term changes we need to cause.

8 Now the reason I say keep our eye on the
9 prize. This just came out over the weekend in the
10 Washington Post. That climate change, as several
11 studies have recently shown, is moving at a faster
12 pace than even the experts predicted just a few
13 years ago. A variety of reasons for that. There
14 is an increase in human-caused emissions. There
15 are some natural feedback mechanisms such as
16 permafrost melting faster, releasing more carbon
17 and GHGs. And our natural systems are not
18 absorbing carbon as much as we thought they would.
19 The net result is we can't delay and we can't only
20 invest in technologies that will help us in 2050.
21 We need to invest in things that start to help us
22 now.

23 But we have a huge opportunity as well
24 to tremendously leverage the state funds, the port
25 funds right now with almost an embarrassment of

1 riches into the transportation sector from the
2 stimulus bill. Now these numbers have changed a
3 little bit in what came out of the final bill. In
4 fact it is still hard to read the final bill with
5 all the markups that's in it.

6 But it is on the order of more than a
7 billion dollars in various forms going to
8 transportation. Much of it to implementation
9 dollars. And clearly there would be a huge
10 opportunity to match port dollars, state dollars
11 and federal dollars for both implementation and
12 demonstration projects in and around the port. It
13 is a huge opportunity. And I know that South
14 Coast, the ports and others are looking at this
15 now.

16 So just kind of a framework as we look
17 at this. Certainly because these technologies are
18 on the cusp of market and moving the first few
19 thousands into actual use, getting them into
20 customer hands and off the production lines, will
21 actually tremendously impact the incremental cost
22 by getting to the next, kind of if you will,
23 plateau of volume.

24 We really support the hybrid and high-
25 efficiency trucks, speeding implementation, as

1 well as investing in some of the enhanced
2 technologies for going down the road enabling our
3 next steps towards 2050. Certainly zero, near-
4 zero and low-carbon transit and other vehicles.
5 High-efficiency natural gas trucks and engines is
6 a huge area that's really important, both for
7 implementation and deployment as well as for
8 investment in the next generation of engines.

9 Waste-to-fuel demonstrations, low-carbon
10 retail stations. Getting the refueling network
11 out there for alt and biofuels, tremendously
12 important. We think there's even an opportunity
13 for some super-ultra-low-carbon technologies,
14 school buses and other things that are already --
15 plug-in for instance could be part of that.

16 And then assistance with verification
17 and certification.

18 So these are just some thoughts. They
19 very much align with where we see opportunities in
20 the port environment, certainly in Southern
21 California and in the state, and ways to
22 tremendously take advantage of the stimulus money
23 that is out there that is on the same timing
24 track. We need to partner quickly but I think the
25 timing is real opportune. Thank you.

1 (Applause.)

2 MR. WARD: Thank you, Bill. Last but
3 certainly not least of the presenters we have is
4 our friend Paul Wuebben. He is the clean air
5 officer at the South Coast Air Quality Management
6 District. Listen carefully, Paul has a lot of
7 good things to tell us today.

8 MR. WUEBBEN: Which means I am going to
9 say thanks for a great job, Peter and Tim.

10 (Laughter.)

11 MR. WUEBBEN: Anyway, I really
12 appreciate the opportunity. First I really want
13 to also say thank you to Dr. Kanter and
14 Dr. Christensen for hosting the meeting. And more
15 importantly, for really being the tremendous focal
16 points that they are in those organizations for
17 the CAAP and all the collaborative efforts that
18 have come out of that effort. So that's a great
19 basis, I think.

20 The other thing I think I just want to
21 say in starting is that we really are at ground
22 zero for addressing air quality in California, not
23 just Southern California. I think that it is not
24 an exaggeration to say that the lungs of this
25 particular locale really serve as the lungs of

1 America in a very disproportionate way when you
2 are talking about 40 percent of the entire goods
3 are moving through this portal.

4 Furthermore, our most recent information
5 out of our multiple air toxics exposure study, the
6 third generation of that work, identified that
7 while in the South Coast air basin generally we
8 are seeing a reduction in toxic emissions and
9 exposures, that in the areas surrounding goods
10 movement, particularly in the ports, unfortunately
11 we are seeing an increase in the, in the
12 concentration and risk factors.

13 And of course one of the important
14 milestone findings about the study is that 85
15 percent of that exposure is related to diesel and
16 the carcinogens in gasoline exhaust. But 70
17 percent of that total is just from diesel. So we
18 have got a lot to do. Next slide, please.

19 First I want to just identify that we
20 are in strong agreement with what the Energy
21 Commission has developed in their, in their plan.
22 The focus on low-carbon technologies is a crucial
23 one. We would just suggest going forward that in
24 certain categories, as perhaps the ultra-low-
25 carbon categories become available, if they mature

1 faster than anticipated, that they consider
2 changing some of those fund distributions.

3 In terms of comments, specifically. We
4 think that it is very appropriate that we look at
5 the multiple benefits, not just greenhouse gas
6 emissions. Southern California represents 25
7 percent of the nation's ozone exposure. Just in
8 this air basin alone we are 50 percent of the PM10
9 exposure. So that represents I think a lot of
10 win-win opportunities for reducing not just
11 greenhouse gases but petroleum dependence through
12 alternative fuels and criteria and toxic
13 emissions.

14 We think that there are certainly
15 synergies that are crucial in looking at natural
16 gas as a bridge fuel and it has important benefits
17 in its own right. You can look at that as
18 essentially building literacy to perhaps some more
19 longer-term fuels like hydrogen. And that's why I
20 think that the slide that Bill showed regarding
21 pathways is extremely germane.

22 On the infrastructure. I think it is
23 clear that that is perhaps among the hardest
24 elements to build on a sustainable business, a
25 sustaining basis. It's difficult to rationalize

1 that in difficult economic environments even. And
2 so just paying attention that that has some
3 special needs.

4 And then the last area would be looking
5 at the plan from a balance standpoint. We would
6 suggest that we not look at the formulas that are
7 indicated in too much of a fixed sense but that
8 they are evolving. That each of the fuel needs,
9 each pathway needs some careful feeding, if you
10 will, and that they are all constrained,
11 unfortunately, by low oil prices, ironically.

12 The current recessionary environment I
13 think gives a special impetus to trying to
14 expedite the administration of the funds and to
15 recognize that there's a lot of near-term
16 opportunities. The OEMs as we just learned
17 yesterday, unfortunately, need additional
18 synergies to help foster their plug-in hybrid and
19 other alternative fuel and greenhouse reduction
20 technologies.

21 There's school district needs. The Low-
22 Carbon Fuel Standard clearly needs support for
23 development of biofuels. A 1B funding moratorium
24 puts a greater stress on all of that. In fact I
25 might want to add just parenthetically that our

1 district board just this last December, just a
2 couple of months ago, decided to augment natural
3 gas funding for some demonstrations in lieu of the
4 availability of that prop fund, Prop 1B
5 moratorium. So we are hoping that that can be
6 removed as well. So I think there is leveraging
7 that is crucial in this environment.

8 Thinking about kind of the specifics I
9 guess on the Investment Plan. The ranking system
10 we think is certainly an excellent first step and
11 it will certainly evolve over time. It is very
12 difficult, as we know, to get accurate data on
13 these well-to-wheel judgements and so perhaps some
14 emphasis on getting that kind of data in part of
15 the training that is identified.

16 Some other areas I think are that the
17 timing on these very long-term pathways is
18 inherently speculative. And while we want to push
19 that we would suggest that there is probably a
20 need for some flexibility in looking at these
21 categories of low-carb and ultra-low, super-ultra-
22 low and even the fuel economy. That there is
23 certainly an overlap within those categories to
24 some degree. Thank you.

25 Now I want to turn briefly to some

1 specific programs. And I won't spend a lot of
2 time on this, certainly on this slide. But we
3 have developed just recently our technology plan
4 that identifies the key priorities. And what we
5 would observe as generally and very specifically
6 there is that that plan aligns very well with the
7 Investment Plan. So there's a lot of
8 opportunities for specific technologies. In the
9 next slide I'll get into more of the details.

10 Specifically what we are hoping to see
11 going forward is a range of project activities
12 that would allow us and the Energy Commission to
13 leverage each other's funds. We are planning to
14 place some \$4 million in the low-carbon technology
15 categories that involve heavy-duty natural gas
16 incentives. I notice that they mentioned the
17 receptivity to the role of rebates.

18 We want to look at natural gas
19 conversions and OEM additional products that
20 enhance additional engine development. And we are
21 especially pleased to see the very active
22 leadership of Kenworth and Cummins Westport and
23 others. We do think it is valuable, by the way,
24 to augment that competitive playing field but also
25 recognizing that they were the first on the market

1 and hopefully there is a first leader advantage
2 going forward.

3 In the super-ultra-low category area we
4 are proposing to bring to the table some \$9
5 million. We would hope to leverage that with up
6 to \$19 million on the CEC's standpoint. And that
7 would involve a whole series of plug-in hybrid,
8 light-duty, medium-duty and heavy-duty
9 applications. And certainly in the medium and
10 heavy we would hope to find synergies in the port
11 with respect to that.

12 And then even in the super-ultra-low-
13 carbon categories. As far as hydrogen we do think
14 that there is a need to focus on high-use, high-
15 efficiency through-put stations. Multiple use and
16 some transit demos are possible there. And
17 looking for a total project funding of perhaps \$12
18 million, of which we put in \$4 million. In
19 addition we would like to explore some hydraulic
20 projects. And I'll get into more of that in
21 detail. Thank you.

22 Specifically in terms of heavy-duty gas
23 engine development. We certainly want to build on
24 the developments that went into the ISL-G and
25 recognizing that the other, maturing HDPI

1 technologies are coming forward. We would like to
2 in the short-term put \$3 million towards that and
3 would invite some co-sponsorship with the CEC in
4 additional engine development.

5 With respect to truck applications. We
6 are hoping to devote up to \$18 million in the
7 short term. This would look at pre-2003 heavy-
8 duty trucks. Perhaps some LNG where there would
9 be port and non-port applications. We would hope
10 to target perhaps as many as 200 older vehicles in
11 that and provide perhaps \$90,000 per vehicle as an
12 increment. We would certainly welcome comments on
13 any of these specific benchmarks.

14 Moving to the area of hydraulic hybrids.
15 And my friend Bill points out very correctly that
16 we should be thinking of not just hydraulics but
17 the wider universe of all hybrid electric options
18 there. But we are certainly very focused on the
19 opportunities in medium- and heavy-duty vehicles
20 for energy efficiency gain so we would suggest \$6
21 million that we would bring to co-sponsor a range
22 of activities.

23 One would be in identifying the specific
24 niches where they may be most competitive to
25 conduct some demonstrations of either parallel

1 systems or series systems, recognizing that that
2 architecture is somewhat complex and there's still
3 some degree of optimization and perhaps even
4 blending of those two technologies. And then even
5 looking at integrating that and optimizing it for
6 advanced engine type designs such as homogenous
7 charge, CI-type engines.

8 This is just to address the important
9 role that we see transit buses continuing to play,
10 representing an important platform really for
11 innovation. I think we should all give real
12 recognition to people like LA MTA, Orange County
13 Transit, Long Beach Transit, et cetera. All these
14 transit districts, especially in Southern
15 California, have had tremendous success in getting
16 the natural gas technology developed.

17 We think additional efforts in that vein
18 are important looking forward at fuel cell
19 vehicles that look at more agile and more flexible
20 technologies. Some that would look at batteries
21 that are quick chargeable, those which would have
22 some plug-in fuel cell type hybridization, perhaps
23 even hydrogen CNG blends as well. So we want to
24 put up to \$4 million toward that task and see CEC
25 support on that.

1 In the school bus arena, quickly. We
2 are talking here about placing perhaps \$14 million
3 aside to devote to up to 100 bus replacements with
4 about 140,000 per bus.

5 Then just finally turning to the area of
6 infrastructure relative to natural gas and
7 hydrogen. We would be looking at an overall
8 program commitment from both sides of about \$15
9 million. Of which, as you can see in this
10 allocation, that would be distributed to a variety
11 of infrastructure.

12 Some that would look at blending of
13 hydrogen and CNG perhaps, waste-to-pipeline
14 biomethane. I'm glad to see that that was
15 referenced several times here. Refuse-derived
16 methane, some CHP or closed energy hybridization,
17 waste to hydrogen to energy type facilities. And
18 also some higher pressure applications.

19 So finally I just want to point out, as
20 I am sure the CEC appreciates, the South Coast
21 District has had a long history at working on a
22 variety of deployment and technology events and
23 projects. Over the years we have spent probably
24 close to over \$400 million, I believe, and
25 leveraged that about four-to-one. Just in the

1 school bus arena, for example, we have brought
2 forward about \$102 million. We targeted 4,000
3 engines during that period. We have got a budget
4 now of \$56 million essentially on the deployment/
5 incentive side for SB 1107 and AB 923 funds.

6 So all of that gives us I think an
7 important opportunity to channel investment in
8 Southern California in a cost-effective manner in
9 terms of our best practices, experience and
10 learning that we have done in terms of leveraging.
11 But I know that the CEC has done a lot and we have
12 learned a lot from their success as well. So we
13 are looking forward to the partnership and thanks
14 very much for the opportunity.

15 (Applause.)

16 MR. WARD: Before we go into our public
17 comment I hope you will join me in giving these
18 folks a round of applause. I think this is an
19 excellent panel and I know I have learned a lot.
20 I appreciate all your time you spent preparing
21 those.

22 I think we'll look to quickly go to the
23 public comment section of this. This is one of
24 the main reasons we are here is to elicit public
25 comment, stakeholder comment. We have run a

1 little longer than we expected. We were hoping to
2 start this around 11 but we can start now. And I
3 am going with the blue cards in the order I
4 received them. Bill Walles from PTDC/HAIC. And
5 after him will be Christopher Perkins.

6 MR. WALLES: Good morning. Just by way
7 of self-introduction, I am Bill Walles, a partner
8 in Technoplex Group. And my comments are as a
9 private citizen. But I am a member of the Harbor
10 Association of Industry and Commerce, I am the
11 secretary/treasurer. Also a member of the San
12 Pedro and Wilmington Chambers of Commerce.

13 I wanted to speak in strong support of
14 what the CEC is doing in its Investment Plan. It
15 looks like a massive amount of great work.

16 I also wanted to reinforce my support
17 for the potential strategic partnership between
18 the CEC and the ports of Los Angeles and Long
19 Beach. I think you will find, having been in the
20 San Pedro Bay area here, that the ports are unique
21 in my opinion in that they have some demonstrated
22 leadership and competence in the area of emissions
23 reduction and working with industry and their
24 tenants.

25 I did want to bring to your attention an

1 emerging entity, it's a 501(c)(3), the San Pedro
2 Bay Port Technologies Development Center. I
3 didn't realize I could give you a PowerPoint but I
4 will leave a hard copy here.

5 The San Pedro Bay Port Technology
6 Development Center is an effort of the San Pedro
7 Chamber of Commerce, the Wilmington Chamber of
8 Commerce, the Port of Los Angeles and the
9 industrial community. The intent is to establish
10 a technology business complex focused on the green
11 technologies and innovations needed by the
12 maritime industries in their efforts to meet air
13 quality, energy efficiency and security
14 requirements.

15 I believe it represents a good
16 opportunity for the CEC in that we work very
17 closely for economic development and job creation,
18 particularly around clean and green technologies.
19 We have a three-step method. We identify the
20 technology needs, we do a global search for the
21 companies, and we attract and grow those business
22 here in the San Pedro Bay. So it is very, very
23 focused on that area.

24 We have had a lot of good interaction
25 with Senator Boxer, Senator Feinstein,

1 Congresswoman Harman, Council Member Janice Hahn,
2 Mayor Villaraigosa so we have established some
3 starting funding. We have matching funding from
4 industry. And so my main message would be, we are
5 a great receptacle for decimal dust in your
6 program. Rounding errors are well appreciated and
7 would have a massive multiplier effect.

8 We are in the process of our founding
9 partner fundraising, which is going on right now.
10 We have received a commitment from the Port of Los
11 Angeles for the establishment of a 501(c)(3) and
12 we are currently raising funds from the harbor
13 area interested companies.

14 We have been essentially a volunteer
15 organization through the Chambers of Commerce. We
16 started about a year ago January and are now at
17 launch. Specifically our funds are used for
18 research, staffing and leases and outreach to
19 existing technology companies, emerging technology
20 sources, funding sources and the government and
21 the public.

22 One other component that I think would
23 be of interest given the Commissioner comments is
24 one other unique aspect of this area is the Port
25 of Los Angeles High School. I urge you to walk by

1 on your way out; it is next door to the port
2 building here. And that's a high school focused
3 on the port and maritime industry and might be a
4 good complement to the K to 12 outreach. The Port
5 Technology Development Center likes to do some of
6 those things as well because we are all one
7 community. Thank you.

8 (Applause.)

9 MR. WARD: Thank you, Bill. Thanks for
10 taking the time to join us today.

11 Next, Christopher Perkins with Unimodal.

12 MR. PERKINS: Hello, my name is
13 Christopher Perkins. I am with Unimodal Systems;
14 I am the CEO.

15 We are developing a personal rapid
16 transit technology known as SkyTran. You may have
17 heard from our colleague up in San Jose, Robert
18 Bartsch, who touched on some of the technical
19 aspects of how our technology could serve the
20 goals of the AB 118 program.

21 Now one of the key elements of our
22 system is that we are an automated electric
23 guideway network. One of the key factors of how
24 we can improve public transportation is that
25 instead of people moving in groups on let's say

1 buses or light rail, we provide an individual
2 vehicle that moves on an electric guideway. It is
3 a highly efficient, energy efficient approach to
4 this.

5 And because of this personal rapid
6 transit architecture where you have one vehicle,
7 on destination, it provides nonstop movement of
8 people, reduces congestion, and you have a highly
9 efficient, energy drive train that gets up to 500
10 miles per gallon.

11 Now this, I put this in here to show how
12 this PRT architecture is very much like the
13 interstate system where instead of having to stop
14 like a train or a bus does on a road to pick
15 people up at a scheduled stop, in our system you
16 board at an off-line station. And so the vehicle
17 gets on and off the main guideway, much as you get
18 on and off an offramp on a freeway.

19 We have put together a number of key
20 collaborators here in the state, the NASA Ames
21 Research Center. We have a United States
22 Department of Transportation research in
23 innovation grant at the University of Montana,
24 which we have made excellent progress in showing
25 successful demonstration of our maglev linear

1 synchronous motor system. And we also are working
2 with the University of California on software
3 development and simulation of how these systems
4 would work.

5 We are also in the process now at the
6 NASA Ames Research Center of installing our first
7 prototype vehicle, which we will take delivery of
8 at the end of this month where we will also be
9 putting in a guideway in Building 14, with the
10 eventual expansion of the project onto Moffett
11 Field. And it being a project where we would hope
12 to get the support of the CEC and the 118 program
13 to demonstrate how this technology could work.
14 Where we integrate the maglev and our linear motor
15 with the vehicle and the guideway system to show
16 how we can achieve what we think are some
17 substantial benefits to the goals of AB 118 and
18 this process of coming up with greenhouse gas
19 emission reducing technologies.

20 We have also put together a number of
21 key strategic partners, which I hope we will hear
22 from today. Jenkins/Gales and Martinez, they are
23 a major infrastructure project management firm,
24 which we see as being a very important partner in
25 moving from demonstration to commercial phases of

1 our technology.

2 One-Cycle Control. They have developed
3 some highly efficient advanced power electronics,
4 which aid in the motor and propulsion systems.

5 And Advanced Digital Manufacturing,
6 which is the developer of our vehicle.

7 Now we see that what we are doing
8 advances the CEC goals in that we emulate cars.
9 And we think that that's a very important
10 attribute from a consumer preference point of view
11 when people are thinking about public transit as
12 opposed to using their cars. So if you make
13 public transit more like an automobile in terms of
14 its characteristics, on-demand, point-to-point
15 convenience, that we can reduce VMT by getting
16 people out of their cars. That's number one.

17 We are also I think consistent with the
18 ARB's ETAAC committee's findings that the
19 possibilities of PRT have great potential as
20 getting people out of their cars and making
21 impacts in transportation with a system like our's
22 has high possibilities of reducing GHGs and
23 congestion. So we can go after two major problems
24 that are bedeviling California cities.

25 Also our system's low cost and small

1 footprint can accelerate transit-oriented
2 development and also reduce VMT.

3 But it also I think will provide an
4 opportunity for the expansion of public transit
5 out of the realm of just simply being something
6 that government provides and subsidizes to a
7 vibrant business which could be the business for
8 actually California's global competitiveness in
9 this new PRT industry.

10 Also I think our innovative technology
11 fills a crucial gap in the CEC's electric drive
12 technology. We would really like to bring our
13 technology to the attention of the CEC and get
14 their support so that we can demonstrate how these
15 benefits that we have discussed can be implemented
16 in a quick move from demonstration to
17 commercialization in the state.

18 Finally, it encourages the creation of
19 markets to improve consumer choice when it comes
20 to public transportation. Currently we have got
21 only one realistic alternative in the marketplace
22 when you really want to get around and that's the
23 automobile. We see that there is a third path
24 beyond just cars and public transit as we know it
25 now and that is with this concept of PRT.

1 We are leveraging existing US DOT
2 funding that we currently have and we have made
3 great strides on. But what we see as a next step
4 is an integrated demonstration system here in
5 California at NASA.

6 And we are working with cities across
7 the state. It should be noted that a number of
8 cities, the city of Santa Cruz, the city of San
9 Jose and Marin County have all started active
10 processes to bring PRT to their cities.

11 We see our technology as California-
12 based. And we in fact have in many's estimation
13 the most advanced PRT system due to our maglev
14 system that eliminates wheels and increases
15 maintenance and lowers costs. And we have an
16 opportunity to bring a new industry to California
17 that brings high-tech jobs in manufacturing.

18 And I think finally it should be noted
19 there's been quite a bit of development in this
20 area of PRT or personal rapid transit worldwide.
21 South Korea has a system that is being supported
22 by POSCO Steel, which is among the world's largest
23 steel companies. It is called the Vectus system.
24 It has been installed in Sweden.

25 Just in Time magazine this week, Abu

1 Dhabi, which is developing a sustainable city
2 known as Masdar, is moving to install a PRT
3 system. In fact one of our competitors, the
4 ToGetThere system from the Netherlands. In fact
5 we were involved in this process to bring our
6 technology. The fact was that though we have a
7 more advanced technology that we believe is well-
8 suited for this project we had not come along far
9 enough in the demonstration of our technology to
10 attract this contract.

11 So we see that from the point of view of
12 competitiveness and for the United States and
13 California to participate in this new, emerging
14 global industry, that it is very important right
15 now, in fact crucial, that we gain the support of
16 the state in advancing the goals of demonstration.
17 Thank you very much.

18 (Applause.)

19 MR. WARD: Thank you, Christopher. I
20 note that the next card I have is also from
21 Unimodal.

22 MR. PERKINS: Yes. And we -- Yes.

23 MR. PERKINS: Can we, can we have just
24 one from each entity? We have quite a few folks
25 to get through here.

1 MR. PERKINS: Okay. Well we have
2 actually people supporting our effort. You know,
3 from different companies that are working with us.

4 MR. WARD: I guess I'm -- If it is all
5 supporting the same, the same concept I would
6 really like to move on to get a wider, a wider
7 band if we can of public support. And if we can
8 hold it to the end and if we still have time.

9 MR. PERKINS: Okay, that's fine. That's
10 fine.

11 MR. WARD: I think that the writing is
12 similar. Greg -- I can't read it. Greg from OCC.

13 DR. SMEDLEY: I'm Greg Smedley from One-
14 Cycle Control, Incorporated. I am hear also to
15 talk to you a little bit about SkyTran. And in
16 fact the power electronics that enable the SkyTran
17 system.

18 MR. WARD: Well, I wasn't aware. I see
19 the writing is very similar. Can we hold this and
20 get --

21 MR. PERKINS: Okay. We have One-Cycle
22 and ADM and Jenkins/Gales and Martinez are all
23 here in support of our effort.

24 MR. WARD: Okay. I'm wondering, could
25 we hold that to the end so we can work through

1 some of the other commentators. I'm sorry.

2 DR. SMEDLEY: Thank you. I'll look
3 forward to sharing some power electronics with
4 you.

5 MR. WARD: Okay, thanks. Enid Joffe,
6 Clean Fuel Connection.

7 MS. JOFFE: Good afternoon. I don't
8 have a PowerPoint but I will be submitting written
9 testimony.

10 I am going to talk about electric
11 vehicle charging infrastructure, both for light-
12 duty vehicles, hybrids and for medium- and heavy-
13 duty vehicles. First of all I am the president of
14 Clean Fuel Connection and we have been in the
15 electric vehicle charging business for ten years,
16 which in itself is an accomplishment. We were
17 started under Edison International and I have been
18 doing EV infrastructure really since about 1996.

19 We have sold and installed 7500 chargers
20 and we are still trying to maintain the
21 infrastructure that is currently out there, which
22 is an increasingly difficult task given that it is
23 very hard to get parts now and there are fewer and
24 fewer cars. But that said, that infrastructure is
25 a great resource for the future.

1 I also still drive an electric vehicle
2 and have for the last six years so I speak as a
3 consumer as well as somebody who is in the
4 industry. And I feel like I should have a T-shirt
5 that says, I survived the death of the electric
6 car and I am still here to talk about it.

7 Today we see a new emerging industry and
8 I am currently working with several companies.
9 One of them Clipper Creek, who some of you may
10 remember as EVI. I am working with them on the
11 infrastructure for the BMW Mini-E program. Those
12 cars are just about to come to 250 very lucky
13 drivers in the next few months and that program is
14 starting as soon as next week.

15 And I am also working with a company
16 called Coulomb which has developed what I think is
17 a very superior public charging station that I
18 will talk a little bit about as well. And that is
19 starting to come to market.

20 What I mainly want to talk about are
21 some of the lessons learned from the past round of
22 infrastructure and I think that we are in a very
23 unique position to do that. I have thousands of
24 records of customer installations and that is a
25 very valuable source of data for these lessons

1 learned.

2 And in fact I'm just starting a project
3 with Detroit Edison and University of Michigan and
4 General Motors to mine that data and pull out some
5 of the information. We are getting a lot of
6 questions now about average charger installation
7 costs, the behavior of drivers, whether public
8 infrastructure is really necessary. A lot of
9 those kinds of questions. So a lot of the data
10 that I have is going to be very valuable and
11 useful in answering some of those questions.

12 And I guess the few things that -- I
13 would say the highlights are, number one, you
14 don't often get to --

15 (Automated WebEx instructions were
16 heard via the WebEx system.)

17 MS. JOFFE: Well, it stopped anyway. So
18 I guess the first important thing is, the lesson
19 learned is that we need to get out of the way of
20 the car sales. I think one of the biggest issues
21 in infrastructure in the 1990s was that, and
22 still, it takes over 30 days to install a charger.

23 There's four or five different agencies
24 involved from the utility to the car agency to the
25 local jurisdiction having authority. That's a lot

1 of coordination and most of that has not changed
2 in the last ten years. And if I had my druthers
3 the car dealers would do what they do well, they
4 would sell the cars. The car would come home with
5 a 110 charger. And then you would allow the
6 aftermarket to install the 220 and higher level
7 chargers.

8 I think we also need ubiquitous public
9 charging. Because there is this psychological
10 condition that we all learn about when we become
11 EV drivers called range anxiety. When I am
12 driving a gas -- well I don't drive a gas car.
13 But when I did drive a gas car, and I actually
14 drive a natural gas car too, you don't have to
15 think about where the next gas station is because
16 you know in a couple of miles you'll find one.

17 You have to think really hard about
18 where the next plug is, and also what's working
19 and what's not working. And I think I have found
20 the last 15 working charging stations in LA. I
21 know exactly where they are. But you are
22 constantly thinking about that and that changes
23 your behavior.

24 I think we also need one standard. One
25 of the things that hurt the industry in the past

1 was the fact that we had inductive and conductive.
2 The industry is working on a new standard, J 1772.
3 The connector for that is currently in UL listing.
4 And I think that through your funding you have a
5 real role to play in helping establish that
6 standard. And let's make sure that when somebody
7 pulls up to a charger they know that they can
8 charge there.

9 And I think we need fast charging down
10 the road. You know, I know there are issues and
11 I'll address some of those around the interface
12 between the time of use of public charging, which
13 is usually daytime, and the needs of utilities for
14 load management. But I think there are some other
15 ways around that and I think we do need fast
16 charging. And I am working with some folks who
17 are developing the gas station of the future or a
18 fuel station of the future and I see fast charging
19 as very much a part of that.

20 One of the other issues is that I don't
21 think that -- One of the things that I have
22 learned is that chargers are not just for light-
23 duty vehicles. I am currently working with a
24 company called DUECO which has developed a plug-in
25 hybrid electric boom truck. And one of their

1 frustrations has been the inability to get
2 chargers developed and installed. And so I think
3 that's another area that the hybrid technology is
4 coming along very nicely but I think we also need
5 to not forget the charging infrastructure.

6 Then in terms of some of the goals that
7 I think the program, whatever the program that is
8 developed needs to accomplish. One of them is we
9 have got a lot of technologies coming along, as
10 Bill Van Amburg mentioned, and a wide range of
11 hybrid technologies.

12 But from the perspective of air quality
13 we want to maximize the zero emission range. And
14 I know as a driver, if I can pull up somewhere and
15 plug in and I don't have to worry about, even if I
16 am driving a hybrid I can still maximize when I
17 want to as somebody doing something good for the
18 environment. I can maximize my zero emission
19 vehicle range. And I think that is a very
20 important thing to do, even with the hybrid
21 vehicles. Where you can go the distance when you
22 need to but you can also drive zero emission in
23 the city.

24 The other thing that we need to do is
25 reduce on-peak demand and I think there are ways

1 to do that. We are developing a concept for a
2 solar charge port. When we didn't have enough
3 opportunity in the EV business we went into the
4 solar business, which is a very compatible,
5 related business.

6 And so now I see a way to blend the two.
7 Of having modular charge ports, you know,
8 structures over the charging stations just like
9 they do in Santa Monica. At home we are
10 installing our first home, solar patio cover.
11 Those can be car parks as well. A lot of really
12 good opportunities there.

13 And I think we need to broaden, and
14 there is the opportunity to broaden from
15 homeowners and businesses to apartments and
16 condominiums. We were very limited in what we
17 could do before. And one of the things that the
18 new technologies, particularly the one developed
19 by Coulomb allows us to do, is put the chargers in
20 guest parking and people who use it pay as they
21 go. So we will no longer have to screen out
22 people who live in condo associations. And I
23 spent some very frustrating months trying to get
24 permission and approvals for a condo association
25 installations, only to have them frustrated down

1 the road.

2 So in terms of the recommendations. And
3 again, I will put all this in written testimony.
4 Number one, I think we need, we should start with
5 the infrastructure that we have. There's about
6 700 charging stations out there now, not all of
7 them functional. But we always told the customers
8 that the wiring was still there, it was still
9 good. And as far as I know that is still true.
10 So basically those boxes can be renewed. The new
11 chargers meet the same, have the same wiring
12 requirements and new boxes can be installed at a
13 very reasonable cost. And I think that would be a
14 great way to jump-start the infrastructure that we
15 need.

16 And I think we need to have differential
17 rewards for charging stations that are utility-
18 friendly. We do not want to add to on-peak
19 charging. And there are ways to do that with
20 pricing signals, there's ways to do that with
21 solar. You can do backup battery generation.
22 There's lots of ways to do it. But I think that
23 should be an emphasis and let's solve this problem
24 about charging contributing to peak demand.

25 I also think it an important thing that

1 the Energy Commission can reward is the
2 development of local ordinances. And we already
3 have a LEED criteria but it is not very well
4 publicized. But local ordinances and requirements
5 for new construction.

6 I just visited a site in Westwood
7 yesterday and basically the building owner said,
8 you know, those chargers are standing between me
9 and my occupancy permit so put them in. So those
10 are things, you know, that they can be
11 environmental, that's great, but if they are
12 required to do it they are going to do it and that
13 helps the industry.

14 And then finally I think we need to work
15 with the utilities. There's a lot of interaction.
16 The utilities are obviously very concerned. And I
17 am having a new experience now with BMW working
18 with the East Coast utilities. By comparison the
19 West Coast utilities have this totally nailed
20 down. The East Coast utilities are still saying,
21 why do I want to support an electric car. So
22 there's a lot of work that we have to do on the
23 East Coast. Our relationship with Edison and PG&E
24 and San Diego Gas and Electric and the munis has
25 been very cooperative but we also need to

1 understand their needs.

2 So that said, you know, we have, we
3 have, we still have an infrastructure out there.
4 We have a great starting point for building up the
5 infrastructure. I think we can really get a jump-
6 start and I am looking forward to the program
7 being supportive of that. Thank you.

8 (Applause.)

9 MR. WARD: Thank you, Enid. Next we
10 have Mike Lewis with Pearson Fuels. Hello, Mike.

11 MR. LEWIS: Good morning. How are you?

12 MR. WARD: Good.

13 MR. LEWIS: Good. I just have one
14 question and then a very short comment. In the
15 Investment Plan it mentions a few different times
16 the solicitations to manage co-funding. So I
17 think that means that there will be a solicitation
18 put out and then someone will be granted the money
19 to then reissue it. Is that what that means?
20 Maybe help define for me what it means if that's
21 okay. I see it a lot in here.

22 MR. OLSON: Do you have a better
23 reference to that in the document?

24 MR. LEWIS: Yes, page 33.

25 MR. OLSON: And what was that, what

1 section is that? I'm just curious.

2 MR. LEWIS: Hydrogen from renewable
3 sources. It says the program's suggestion is one
4 solicitation to manage co-funding of hydrogen and
5 other alternative and renewable fuel stations.
6 And it is in several different places, that
7 phrase.

8 MR. OLSON: I think the reference there
9 might be, is that we might have on infrastructure
10 solicitation. Underneath that there might be
11 individual hydrogen, natural gas, electric charge.
12 We are looking at a way of how to, how to make our
13 workload more efficient. Instead of having 40
14 different solicitations can we do -- and half of
15 them are infrastructure, could we combine from an
16 administrative standpoint, the ability to manage
17 that. And there are examples where there are
18 other agencies that could help us manage that.
19 That probably is what that reference is to. And
20 it's pretty vague and may have changed a couple of
21 times since we wrote that.

22 MR. WARD: And I think it has to do with
23 the partnerships we are trying to strike with
24 other agencies and local agencies as well so our
25 money can be leveraged.

1 MR. LEWIS: Right.

2 MR. WARD: So I think that's where the
3 co-management part comes in possibly.

4 MR. LEWIS: Right, okay. And I thought
5 it meant it something like that, I just wanted to
6 clarify. I have some experience building
7 alternative fuel stations and I am a one-song
8 show. I talk about one issue that comes up. I
9 appreciate Peter's comments about incentivizing
10 something and then bumping up against the
11 barriers. Because I have been doing this now for
12 a long time. I mean, in this world ten years,
13 that's forever in alternative fuels. And --

14 MR. WARD: Oh no it's not.

15 (Laughter.)

16 MR. LEWIS: Other than you.

17 MR. WUEBBEN: We wish that were true.

18 MR. LEWIS: But I still run into
19 barriers that just spring up from nowhere. And I
20 am not going to spend everyone's time going into
21 them but they come up from nowhere sometime.

22 So my point is that, you know, the
23 phrase this year is shovel-ready, everybody talks
24 about shovel-ready. And, I mean, you definitely
25 need the shovel but you need the permit too. And

1 I can tell you, I've got a shovel right now but I
2 need the permits.

3 The only thing that I would say is I
4 have seen those situations happen. I know that
5 for example Weststart has funding that they
6 reissue and I know the Air District in Sacramento
7 got money that they reissue.

8 And my only comment is that when you
9 develop the final version of this plan is to don't
10 make that partnership another barrier. I mean, it
11 can be. It's already a challenge to get the
12 location and a challenge to get the funding. But
13 there's enough barriers out there.

14 So when you make these agreements, and
15 if you are making them with people that are very
16 much involved in the permitting process already,
17 hopefully you attach the agreement with something
18 they are going to do to break down some of those
19 barriers. I just don't want to create another
20 barrier with the way they are set up. That's my
21 only suggestion. Thanks for listening.

22 MR. WARD: Thank you, Mike, appreciate
23 it. I appreciate your wisdom from the field. I
24 know you have had some trials and tribulations.
25 Next is Greg Roche from Clean Energy. I hope I

1 pronounced that right.

2 MR. ROCHE: You got it, perfect. Not
3 many people do. Good afternoon now. I am Greg
4 Roche, I am with Clean Energy Fuels.

5 And I want to first of all support,
6 strongly support your Investment Plan in natural
7 gas vehicles. It makes sense, it's smart and here
8 is why. If we take a step back and remember,
9 these are public dollars. And what we are all
10 faced with is how do you get the most bang for
11 your buck with limited public dollars.

12 And natural gas, particularly the heavy
13 duty trucks as you heard from Kenworth's
14 presentation today, immediate off the shelf
15 reduction 20 percent greenhouse gases and gallon
16 for gallon displacement of imported oil, of which
17 one third comes right from OPEC. We all would
18 like to say OPEC, keep your oil, we don't want it.
19 That's where we have got to end up.

20 And if you take it the next step further
21 and say, you know what, biogas, you can put it in
22 the same engine and get a 90 percent reduction in
23 greenhouse gases. This is near-term folks, this
24 isn't way out there.

25 As an example my company, Clean Energy,

1 secured the rights to a landfill outside of
2 Dallas. And this landfill produces enough biogas
3 every day for the next 30, 40, 50 years, to
4 displace 30,000 gallons of imported gasoline.
5 It's real numbers, that's one landfill. Imagine
6 what we can do working together and building up
7 the biogas industry in this country.

8 Now I have two recommendations though.
9 Recommendation number one is when I look at the
10 chart showing how you are going to spread the
11 money out, you are spending money a lot of
12 different places. And what occurs to me is that
13 what you ought to look at doing is concentrate
14 your money where it will make the biggest
15 difference.

16 And when you talk about heavy-duty
17 trucks, these trucks that do local delivery, do
18 port drayage and so forth, what drives the
19 industry, what brings manufacturers into the
20 industry, what brings competition and the engines
21 into the industry stimulate demand for deploying
22 trucks. Put the money into deploying trucks. Let
23 private industry step forward and build the
24 infrastructure. Because if the demand is there
25 companies like Clean Energy and others will step

1 forward and build stations.

2 Right now today, just as you heard with
3 the electric vehicle presentation a moment ago, we
4 all need customers. And if you put money into
5 actually deploying trucks and let private industry
6 solve all of the other problems, I tell you what,
7 people will step up to the plate.

8 Look what's happened in Peru, Argentina,
9 Brazil. I don't know if anybody has visited those
10 nations but they have done a great job of
11 stimulating deployment of vehicles. And guess
12 what, there's plenty of places to fuel. We have a
13 station in Peru. There's actually too many
14 stations. That's what happens when private
15 industry steps up.

16 So that's recommendation number one.
17 Focus your money where you can actually stimulate
18 permanent change.

19 Number two. Today we are in unique
20 economic times. We are faced with two perplexing
21 problems. Number one, all these new technologies
22 cost more so that's why we are talking about
23 incentives to buy them.

24 But number two, companies are having a
25 hard time getting access to capital, whether it is

1 for a loan, whether it is for a lease. So if you
2 can look at your money and say, let's put some
3 into the vehicles, let's put some into a loss
4 pool, or you can leverage your dollars with
5 private industry. You might get a seven to one or
6 a ten to one leverage. If for every dollar you
7 put in you get seven to ten dollars out in vehicle
8 financing you can actually get a lot of vehicles
9 on the road.

10 Because I can tell you from personal
11 experience working with trucking companies across
12 this country, this is dicey times for goods
13 movement. It's tough for these companies to get
14 through these tough times. And then to go find
15 financing it's real tough. So that's two problem
16 that can be solved with this program. Those are
17 my recommendations, thank you very much.

18 MR. WARD: Greg, thank you. Thank you,
19 Greg.

20 (Applause.)

21 MR. WARD: Next we have Ms. Nathalie
22 Hoffman from California Renewable Energies, LLC.
23 Good afternoon, Nathalie.

24 MS. HOFFMAN: Hi. I will have a
25 PowerPoint to put into the record but I am just

1 going to speak from my notes right now.

2 MR. WARD: Very good.

3 MS. HOFFMAN: Okay. I understand that
4 -- I didn't get a chance to read it but you handed
5 out a new Investment Plan or some modifications
6 where you broke down the categories, today.

7 MR. WARD: The Plan is the same as it
8 was released December 23. It hasn't been revised
9 yet, we are taking comments to do that.

10 MS. HOFFMAN: Okay. Well I downloaded
11 the one from the meeting notice and I think
12 there's some changes in this that were given out
13 today.

14 MR. WARD: I think we removed the
15 percentages. I think the dollar amounts, we
16 simplified that table. I think that is the one
17 you are referring to maybe.

18 MS. HOFFMAN: Maybe. Well it doesn't
19 matter. I just didn't look at the one today. So
20 if there's some difference in there from what I am
21 going to talk about, the one that was handed out
22 today.

23 MR. WARD: I don't think we have changed
24 the allocations.

25 MS. HOFFMAN: Okay. Well I wanted to

1 start by saying thank you. This Investment Plan
2 shows a tremendous amount of work and I have been
3 accompanying this pretty much from the beginning,
4 as you know. And I recognize all the work that
5 went into it and I want to thank you for that.

6 I do want to say that, and I think we
7 can all acknowledge and in fact it is even in the
8 record, that we started this process, the AB 118
9 process, and there was a general antipathy to
10 purpose-grown energy crops for biofuels. And we
11 actually started off with documents -- the first
12 presentation said, basically said, purpose-grown
13 energy crops are off the table. We will not
14 support, we will not give any money for these kind
15 of biofuels.

16 And it has taken a really long time.
17 But the time we got to this Investment Plan there
18 was a recognition. We went through a long
19 process. Steve Kaffka, other people explaining
20 that what is true for corn in the Midwest or sugar
21 cane in Brazil isn't necessarily true. All
22 agriculture is local. We will be using crop land
23 that is already in existence, so on and so forth.
24 I won't go through that again.

25 But the important part of that is, and

1 in conjunction with the TIAX analysis, which I was
2 surprised to see. The TIAX analysis is the same
3 TIAX analysis that was in -- that I'm sorry, I
4 forget his name -- presented the TIAX
5 presentation.

6 And in that meeting we pointed out that
7 his analysis of biofuels and the money from
8 biofuels was completely misleading because it is
9 all based on corn ethanol. And the corn ethanol
10 crop exists already, you don't have to establish a
11 corn crop. And there are agricultural subsidies
12 for corn. And the incentives come in when you
13 have already produced and you are selling.

14 But actually, and we said on the record,
15 there were zero incentives. Zero dollars of
16 incentives for biofuels, purpose-grown energy
17 crops in terms of growing out of crop. You can't
18 have a biofuel unless you have a crop and it has
19 to be a commercial scale so that you keep the
20 plant going.

21 I think that the first antipathy and the
22 amount of time it took to get over that, in
23 conjunction with your TIAX analysis leaves the
24 Investment Plan, I think it misses the mark on
25 biofuels. You said you want market-ready biofuels

1 to help us to -- biofuels, fuel cells, hydrogen,
2 electric to meet our 2020 greenhouse gas reduction
3 goals.

4 The only way, I mean really the best way
5 to do this because this is technology-ready. They
6 are doing this in Brazil, they have been doing it
7 for 30 years. One of the speakers alluded to what
8 is going on in Brazil. We can, we can plant these
9 crops.

10 I am giving this presentation today in
11 conjunction with Dr. David Grantz who is here from
12 the University of California Kearney Agricultural
13 Research Center. And he will talk about the
14 crops, I am not going to get into that. But we
15 can grow these crops here in California and we can
16 be ready by 2012. We can be generating hundreds
17 of millions of gallons. And the greenhouse gas
18 reductions from these are like 90 percent.

19 There was something in the Investment
20 Plan that said that the staff didn't have the time
21 to review the well-to-wheel greenhouse gas
22 emissions from this kind of, these kinds of crops
23 due to time restraints. I had made the comment
24 once before and I make it again.

25 Well first of all there is now the

1 California GREET model. But also we have peer-
2 reviewed studies. We have 30 years of data from
3 Brazil. Here is a peer-reviewed study from 2008
4 about sugar cane ethanol and it talks about what
5 the 2020 case will be for Brazil. Which we will
6 be doing from the beginning. That is a 12.6 to 1
7 energy balance on a conservative basis. So maybe
8 we reduce greenhouse gases 100 percent or more
9 than 100 percent. It is very important that this
10 be included.

11 And the other thing I was going to say
12 is because the reduction of greenhouse gases is so
13 enormous with this and documented by the
14 International Energy Agency in Switzerland, et
15 cetera, this should be in the super-ultra-low-
16 carbon category. But it is in this category where
17 it does not belong and there is very little money
18 in there.

19 So we will not have purpose-grown energy
20 crops with one solicitation for \$1.5 million to
21 do, you know, a study of it. We are already
22 growing cane in the Imperial Valley but we need to
23 -- and we have academics working on it already.

24 Maybe I'll stop there. But it is
25 extremely important to get this Investment Plan

1 right for obvious reasons. It is going to go for
2 two years. The whole world is waiting to see what
3 we do. And if we are going to meet those 2020
4 goals we have to have these biofuels that are
5 just --

6 We need what this Investment Plan
7 doesn't recognize and it is something we have
8 tried to get across. Is we don't need money for
9 loan guarantees to build the plant. We can get
10 that perhaps from the federal government, okay.
11 There's a lot of money hopefully from the DOE so
12 we don't need that. And there will be incentives
13 on the other end like the 51 cents a gallon and so
14 on and so forth.

15 What we need is money to grow out the
16 crop and for development. Because these things
17 don't exist. So we need very expensive
18 engineering studies or we can't get the permits.
19 You talk about barriers. This is the barrier.
20 Okay. So thank you.

21 MR. WARD: Thank you, Nathalie. I just
22 want to point out that the GREET work that we are
23 doing, it isn't that we don't have the time. It's
24 under a contract, it is a fairly expensive thing.
25 And we are, I think, going to be approving that

1 contract, I think it is any day now, to start a
2 sugar cane to ethanol, GHG evaluation under the
3 GREET.

4 MS. HOFFMAN: That will be great. I was
5 just referring to what --

6 MR. WARD: So we are, we are moving
7 forward on that. Perhaps not in the time frame
8 that you had hoped. But I just want to state for
9 the record, I don't think we have precluded
10 purpose-grown crops at all. I think that may
11 be --

12 MS. HOFFMAN: No, you haven't precluded
13 them. I mean, they are listed there. But the
14 amount of money that is allocated for them is so
15 small as to be meaningless. I mean, that's the
16 truth if you want me to, you know --

17 MR. WARD: Let me point out that this
18 is --

19 MS. HOFFMAN: -- say what you want to
20 hear.

21 MR. WARD: This is a staff draft
22 Investment Plan. We are taking comments at four
23 workshops, yours included, and that will be --
24 That Investment Plan is under revision. It will
25 be revised and so it is not a final document.

1 MS. HOFFMAN: Oh I know that, that's why
2 I'm here.

3 MR. WARD: The categorization of the
4 different fuels, that is going to be re-looked at.
5 This is the first step in this seven year program.
6 I don't envision that everything will remain the
7 same throughout those seven years. And I just
8 want you to not be downhearted about this.

9 MS. HOFFMAN: No, I am not downhearted.
10 I am a developer that needs, you know. You can't
11 get this money, as I pointed out before, from VCs
12 because this is not their sweet spot. Like I said
13 in one of the other things, they want two boys in
14 a dorm room whose parents are paying their tuition
15 and who write a computer program that they get the
16 patent and then they scale it up and make a
17 kajillion dollars.

18 This kind of deal, agribusiness, we have
19 two businesses here, two tracks, an agribusiness
20 and an industrial business. And that's -- You are
21 not going to find private equity, venture capital,
22 that doesn't exist. Believe me, I have been
23 working on this for three years and I know what is
24 out there in terms of money.

25 And I do know that you are working on

1 the GREET model but I was reacting to what is on
2 page A-2 of the Investment Plan which says:

3 "Due to the time constraints
4 this analysis did not evaluate the
5 technological readiness, the
6 necessary development costs, or
7 probability for this scenario for
8 meeting these greenhouse gas
9 reduction goals."

10 Okay, say --

11 MR. WARD: I think that is specifically
12 referring to the 2050 Vision, which was the
13 underpinning of the analytical framework that we
14 established to evaluate GHG.

15 MS. HOFFMAN: Okay.

16 MR. WARD: I think that might be a
17 little out of context, if I could say so.

18 MS. HOFFMAN: All right, well I'll go
19 back and read it. And if it is I'll be the first
20 to admit it.

21 MR. WARD: It is the 2050 Vision. I
22 think Tim made a point earlier in his presentation
23 earlier, I don't know if you were here to hear
24 that, but he was actually talking about the help
25 we may be able to provide in the predevelopment of

1 some of these things like feasibility studies and
2 engineering studies. He made that comment.
3 That's something we are standing behind. I'm
4 sorry you weren't able to hear that.

5 MS. HOFFMAN: I'm sorry I wasn't here to
6 hear both of your presentations. But that is very
7 important, Tim, if you said that because we need
8 that. And it is not just for me. You know I have
9 a sugar cane crop but there are other people that
10 have sweet sorghum. There are other crops that
11 can be excellent grown under different water
12 conditions, you know, different climate
13 conditions. So we don't want to, you know, cut
14 this industry off at the knees. Especially if you
15 want it to be --

16 MR. WARD: Well we are number one in
17 agriculture not for nothing in California.

18 MS. HOFFMAN: Exactly.

19 MR. WARD: So we definitely are paying
20 attention to that.

21 MS. HOFFMAN: Exactly, exactly. Thank
22 you.

23 MR. WARD: Thank you. Next, Mark Aubry.

24 MS. HOFFMAN: Dr. David Grantz is --

25 MR. WARD: Is Mark in? There he is.

1 MR. AUBRY: This is different than what
2 you have seen before. This is not the same slide.

3 MR. WARD: Okay, great.

4 MR. AUBRY: What I would like to show
5 you today is partially products, partially our
6 production facility. And at least you can put
7 tangible ideas or ideas to tangible on-ground, in-
8 service products. So we'll just roll through this
9 quickly, Pilar, if you want.

10 That is our factory that we have. It's
11 a 250,000 square foot facility. As you can see
12 the footprint there is not the biggest for vehicle
13 movement but we have an additional property off-
14 site that allows vehicles to be able to be stored,
15 moved in and out and so forth.

16 MR. WARD: This is the future production
17 plant in California that you are bringing to us?
18 Just kidding.

19 (Laughter.)

20 MR. AUBRY: Sure, yes, absolutely. Then
21 the North American marketplace.

22 MR. WUEBBEN: Where is that facility?

23 MR. WARD: Where is that facility, Mark?

24 MR. AUBRY: That facility is, that
25 facility today is in England. The exact replica

1 of that is what we are bringing here to the
2 States, of which that is in the Midwest. We also
3 own a significant footprint, which I will go
4 through here in just a second, in California,
5 where our future plans would be to include that.

6 MR. WARD: It seems like a wonderful
7 opportunity here in California for you.

8 MR. AUBRY: Absolutely. So a little bit
9 about the North American marketplace then.
10 Initial vehicle assembly plant set up, again in
11 the Midwest, and leveraging it from that point.
12 Five hundred total seed vehicles that we will put
13 out in partnership with all of our launch
14 companies that we have, physically started in as
15 early as two weeks ago, right up through the April
16 time frame.

17 Certification is underway with ARB
18 currently. The production schedule is to deliver
19 physical, tangible vehicles like what you see here
20 and others that I will show later on, as early as
21 July. And then there is further development in
22 collaboration with Ford US.

23 And overall the total number of
24 production vehicles that we will be able to handle
25 out of that facility that you saw previously. And

1 the one here that we have in the States will be
2 upwards of 12,000 vehicles by 2012.

3 So then a little bit about us. I won't
4 spend a whole lot on that. Two of the biggest
5 things that really set us apart is making electric
6 vehicles we are the largest company that is out
7 there. We are the longest out there as far as
8 almost 90 years worth of experience. And as far
9 as the world, largest products. There is nobody
10 out there today that makes an all-electric up to
11 26,000 pound gross vehicle weight truck. That is
12 in production.

13 Then the addressable market. I really
14 won't go through that. If you want to tab
15 through, Pilar, just through the remainder of
16 those. Obviously dense, congested urban areas,
17 lots of starts and stops. Significant interest I
18 think could be here in the port type application.
19 You know, it is not driving a great distance, they
20 have always got a plug-in location that is fairly
21 close by. But the way we built the majority of
22 the vehicles is from that 50 to 110 mile range so
23 it can handle outside of the port arena.

24 And then really after this slide it's
25 just pictures of products that we have got. But

1 this is our footprint on the left hand side.

2 UpRight Powered Access is based in Fresno where we
3 were at this past week. Our main drivetrain
4 supplier and motor supplier is here in Torrance,
5 working with fast charging suppliers in Monrovia.

6 And then essentially we will have a
7 supply footprint that is in these cities that as
8 we would like to steer companies to put products
9 here we will have to have a service network of
10 technicians and engineers. We talked about green
11 jobs all day today. We would have to hire
12 engineers and technicians in these local markets
13 to physically support the vehicles as we are out
14 there.

15 And then really the benefits, I think to
16 just quickly run through those. Ease of use. The
17 physical vehicle. Maximum goods movement.
18 Because there's not a lot of moving parts in the
19 vehicles the vehicles are not going to break down
20 a significant amount. The reality is you do not
21 have to have a huge parts supply sitting around,
22 you don't have to have a lot of intangible
23 products where the vehicles are sitting being
24 repaired. It is physically ready to go. Zero
25 emission vehicle operations, energy efficiency and

1 security. And then the overall environmental
2 impacts.

3 And the rest of these. That's the first
4 product that we will bring to market. It's what
5 we call the Smith Newton. I won't run through the
6 GVW capacities or the wheelbases. Pilar, we can
7 just keep going through these fairly quickly.

8 There's a typical vehicle of what TJ
9 Maxx and DHL have done in Europe with us. A dump
10 truck. Boom trucks. The Ford Faraday is what we
11 call it.

12 And up there are a number of customers
13 that we have got currently in Europe. Some of
14 them you would well recognize and then others, you
15 may see some of those companies here in the US
16 using our products as launch partners.

17 So with that again we make the
18 recommendation we would like to be able to use the
19 Energy Commission to leverage bringing these
20 companies and steer them into the California
21 market. It is a product that is fully
22 commercialized. It is a product that is ready to
23 go. It is not something that is hypothetical and
24 down the road. It is here, it is tangible, it is
25 now, and we would like to be able to leverage

1 companies to be able to come into the state.

2 Thank you.

3 MR. WARD: Thank you, Mark. When do you
4 expect the CARB certification?

5 MR. AUBRY: From everything that we have
6 with them we would say -- Again, based on the
7 information, two to three months tops. So by the
8 end of --

9 MR. WARD: Weeks?

10 MR. AUBRY: Months, months.

11 MR. WARD: Months, okay.

12 MR. AUBRY: So by the end of May time
13 frame is what we have for final completion of all
14 the testing, that's not just the approval of the
15 proposal.

16 MR. WARD: Okay, great, thank you. Next
17 we have Dr. David Grantz.

18 DR. GRANTZ: Thank you. I have quite a
19 few slides but I'll go through them very, very
20 quickly, I think. I'm working with Nathalie
21 Hoffman that you just heard a few minutes ago. I
22 am with the University of California. Next slide,
23 please. I'll probably go through these fairly
24 quickly.

25 Just a little bit about me. I have a

1 long history of working in sugar cane. Measuring
2 crop water use in sugar cane and the physiological
3 mechanisms by which crops, including sugar cane,
4 control their water. So we have a long
5 experience. I used to be with the sugar cane
6 physiology group in Hawaii back when that was a
7 serious industry.

8 I am currently the director of the
9 Kearney Agricultural Center at the University of
10 California. That is up in Fresno County. So my
11 interests are split between the Imperial Valley
12 and the San Joaquin Valley. What I am going to
13 talk to you about is sugar cane and I will show
14 you some data. I think we have a potential for a
15 biofuel crop in both of those heavily agricultural
16 valleys based on sugar cane and related energy
17 canes. Next slide. Okay, next.

18 I don't think I need to say anything
19 about the folly of importing corn to make ethanol.
20 I'll move on.

21 But I would like to say a couple of
22 things about alternatives that have been raised.
23 On the left you see switchgrass, on the right you
24 see miscanthus. Both of these have been touted as
25 important energy crops for California. Just look

1 at the yields, 12 tons per hectare for the
2 panicum, that's switchgrass. About 25 tons per
3 hectare -- These are pretty, pretty loose numbers.
4 They are not verified in California but they are
5 probably about right.

6 And look at that crop on the right.
7 That is an enormous grass. A lot of people,
8 especially at the University of Illinois, were
9 very excited about miscanthus as a possible energy
10 source, particularly cellulosic. Next slide.

11 I did a theoretical calculation based on
12 the energy that is in sunlight. You don't have to
13 remember the numbers. But if you look at the top
14 a C4 plant, that is a kind of photosynthesis like
15 sugar cane, can make about 280 tons per hectare
16 per year of biomass. Okay, that is a theoretical
17 yield based on what is in the sun.

18 Record yields of sugar cane, total
19 biomass, are one-fourth of that. That is what I
20 want you to remember. That has not been equaled
21 by any other crop anywhere, ever, okay. Sugar
22 cane is an exceptional, biological beast. Okay,
23 move on.

24 All right, now I want to talk -- That
25 was theory. Now I want to talk a little bit about

1 what we have achieved in the last year. We have
2 gathered together a whole bunch of clones of sugar
3 cane, energy cane and wild relatives of these
4 canes and grown them both in the Imperial Valley
5 and in the San Joaquin Valley. DREC is the Desert
6 Research and Extension Center of the University of
7 California, KREC is the Kearney Research Center in
8 the San Joaquin Valley.

9 We have achieved over, equal to or over
10 40 tons per hectare in widely spaced plants using
11 an average of cultivars that were not adapted for
12 California. Again, we can grow this crop really,
13 really nicely here.

14 Now my personal research interests are
15 cellulosic so we are looking at maximizing
16 biomass. But if you look at that number that says
17 Brix, that is percent sugar in the juice. In the
18 desert we get 22.5 percent Brix of our highest
19 clone. The industry standard is around 16 so this
20 is incredible. I mean, this plant grows very,
21 very well here, okay.

22 So I want to make an aside as we move
23 on. The purpose of this talk is to make
24 recommendations. You talk about shovel-ready
25 projects. This is something that we can

1 demonstrate grows very well here. But I am afraid
2 that the Investment Plan as I read it, much as I
3 actually support it, I think it is actually very
4 good.

5 But these kinds of agricultural
6 development projects which are not very high-tech
7 and not very sexy and there's a million pieces, I
8 don't see that they fit into the plan very well
9 and it worries me quite a bit. Because I think
10 this is one of the ways that you can move very
11 quickly to make a big difference in greenhouse gas
12 emissions, you know. But you are going to need to
13 fund the life cycle, the carbon balance through
14 the life cycle. That's one little thing.

15 We are going to need to look at impacts
16 on air quality. We have demonstrated in my lab
17 that extensive crops take ozone out of the air,
18 for example. Well that's important in both the
19 San Joaquin and the Imperial Valley.

20 So there's all these things but they are
21 bits and pieces. And I don't see the Investment
22 Plan, as I read it, kind of tailored to that sort
23 of research and that is something I would try to
24 advise you on.

25 I think you need to be able to look at a

1 sort of integrated agricultural product, which
2 includes some very low-tech stuff. How long can
3 we regrow the crop from a single planting, which
4 saves a lot of carbon because you don't have to
5 run a tractor. But it is pretty low-tech, you
6 know. You plant it and you count the years.
7 Okay, so I made that point. I don't know if the
8 Plan will deal with this kind of project but it
9 really should because these are real already
10 because we are dealing with dirt. Okay, next.

11 Just a couple of quick pictures. This
12 is a near-commercial sugar cane field in the
13 Imperial Valley as everyone knows. It has been
14 growing there almost commercially for a long, long
15 time. Next.

16 What you don't know is that there has
17 been a commercial sugar cane industry in the San
18 Joaquin Valley. That was taken just last year.
19 That's a mixed garden plot from some Asian
20 immigrants that do a lot of our more innovative
21 farming in the San Joaquin Valley. And they make
22 a fair bit of money selling that cane grown in
23 Fresno County for juicing and chewing.

24 And then what a lot of people don't know
25 is that in the 19th century there was actually a

1 commercial sugar cane and molasses industry in
2 Fresno County.

3 So there is a history of this in both of
4 these valleys so we are not building something
5 new. But we definitely need funding to optimize
6 it.

7 Okay, water use. I just threw this in.
8 I'm going to go through these pretty quickly.
9 Everyone says, sugar cane is going to use all the
10 water, it's a terrible thing. Well, this is an
11 irrigation canal with alfalfa behind it in the
12 Imperial Valley. Next.

13 We did some calculations. The top line
14 there where it says UN FAO 56. This is a paper
15 that I published with some farm advisors down in
16 the Imperial Valley using the standard UN Food and
17 Ag Organization's Irrigation Paper 56, for those
18 of you who know about that.

19 And we calculated based on yearlong
20 weather that sugar cane in the Imperial Valley
21 around El Centro would use about 5.5 to 6.5 acre
22 feet of water. The dominant crop down there right
23 now is alfalfa, it uses 6 to 6.5.

24 We also have experimental evidence. You
25 will see there in the middle where it says drip

1 irrigation. We can produce a sugar cane crop with
2 about 4.5 acre feet of water. So if anything we
3 are going to improve the situation. And these,
4 again, are clones of sugar cane that are not
5 adapted to California, okay. We can do much, much
6 better.

7 Okay. That bottom yellow box, it says,
8 improved clones with more wild germplasm, meaning
9 *Saccharum spontaneum*. This is getting into
10 biology here. But that's the wild relative that
11 is already about ten percent of the germplasm of
12 commercial sugar cane. It brings in stress
13 resistance, it brings in rigidity and it brings in
14 high biomass.

15 We can improve it, the crop, by breeding
16 in. And this is easily done. This is done every
17 year in several places around the country. We can
18 bring in more of these wild relatives to increase
19 the water use efficiency and the stress tolerance.

20 And the slide here is -- The point of
21 this is that we can grow this crop once we make it
22 a little bit more stress-resistant and adapt it to
23 California we can grow it on marginal lands. In
24 the San Joaquin Valley on the west side, for
25 example. We can grow it with much less water in

1 the Imperial Valley. And we are not going to be
2 pushing out food crops, that is my point.

3 Okay, *Saccharum spontaneum*, we are
4 putting a lot of faith in the ability of that
5 thing. Well look at that plant. That guy's hand
6 is all the way open around the stalk. That's a
7 single plant grown in a greenhouse. But that is a
8 pure *Saccharum spontaneum* from Thailand.

9 You start breeding that thing in and you
10 have changed the crop considerably. Well the axes
11 disappeared but this is biomass yield of the 12 or
12 14 varieties that we grew in two locations last
13 year. It doesn't matter which are which. But
14 look at the two blue and the two red lines. I
15 just colored those to kind of call them to your
16 attention. The blue ones are either 25 percent or
17 50 percent *spontaneum*. They are in the high end
18 of the biomass. The red ones, one of those is
19 actually a high yielding commercial clone and the
20 other one is a pure *officinarum*, which is the
21 other part of the germplasm. Okay, they are down
22 at the low end. Next.

23 These things differ a lot. The big, fat
24 cane at the bottom is for sugar. The little
25 skinny one is one of these pure *spontaneums*. It

1 is a very weedy, reedy, hard kind of clone. Next.

2 This is the distribution of cane
3 thickness if you will, diameters, across the range
4 of clones that we grew. You will notice that the
5 red ones now are at the fat end, the blue ones are
6 down at the skinny end. Next slide please.

7 If we look at biomass yield versus stock
8 diameter we can see what we need to be growing are
9 these little skinny ones to get cellulosic
10 biomass, okay. So I am going to leave that right
11 there. The point is, we know how to improve this
12 crop.

13 The next few slides show some
14 photosynthesis measurements. We know we can make
15 a 30 second measurement on a leaf and predict
16 yield. I have a whole bunch of slides that show
17 things like that, in the interest of time I am not
18 going to do it.

19 But my point to you is I am not sure the
20 Plan will fund this sort of thing effectively and
21 I think it needs to. I think this is a very
22 important sort of project. That's one.

23 Two, I do not think it would be very
24 useful to fund 100 different crops that all might
25 be useful. There's lots of things that make

1 biomass. You hear everything from poplar to corn
2 to this or that. You are going to need to get
3 expert advice. Pick a few crops and make them
4 work. Because there's lots of pieces and ag
5 research is a multi-year research project.

6 Okay, and with that I think I'll quit.
7 Thank you very much.

8 MR. WARD: Thank you very much.

9 (Applause.)

10 MR. WARD: I think we have several
11 speakers on the Unimodal. In the interest of time
12 can we consolidate somewhat, some of the
13 presentations a bit? We have had presentations at
14 other workshops too. So how would we, how should
15 we proceed here?

16 DR. SMEDLEY: I will.

17 MR. WARD: We are going to learn about
18 power dynamics right now?

19 DR. SMEDLEY: Power electronics.

20 MR. WARD: Power electronics, okay.

21 DR. SMEDLEY: I guess one of the points
22 we would like to make and one of the reasons why
23 we had a number of significant people here from
24 our team is that we want to show to the panel that
25 this is a California effort. This is technology

1 coming out of California that can make California
2 the center for the revolution in transportation
3 throughout the world.

4 The SkyTran PRT system is not your
5 average electric vehicle because it is an electric
6 vehicle -- I'll get to the slides in a moment.
7 It's an electric vehicle that is actually grid-
8 connected. You know, we have all wished that we
9 had this amazing electric vehicle that had an
10 infinite range. And then the common joke is,
11 yeah, if you could just make a long enough
12 extension cord you would be there.

13 (Laughter.)

14 DR. SMEDLEY: A PRT is a little
15 different because it is actually connected to the
16 grid all the time. So I would just like to go
17 through a couple of slides. I did what I could
18 last night in practice to meet the five minute
19 time line that was put forward so I would like to
20 just cruise through these slides, give you a
21 little introduction, and hopefully a little flavor
22 for the type of technology that is going into the
23 system.

24 MR. WARD: Can you state your name again
25 for our court reporter.

1 DR. SMEDLEY: Yes okay, yes. I'm Greg
2 Smedley, I am the CEO and president of One-Cycle
3 Control. We are a company in Irvine, California
4 focused on bringing cutting-edge, breakthrough
5 technology and power electronics to the
6 marketplace to substantially impact energy
7 efficiency throughout the world.

8 So let's go to the first slide. Who is
9 One-Cycle Control? Just to introduce us. One-
10 Cycle Control is breakthrough power electronics
11 technology. This technology was invented at
12 Caltech, very California. It was developed over
13 the last two decades at the University of
14 California Power Electronics Laboratory. This is
15 the only power electronics laboratory in the UC
16 system and it is one of the world-renown power
17 electronic laboratories in the world.

18 We are productizing and commercializing
19 this one-cycle control technology and have
20 attracted quite a bit of attention from government
21 agencies. As you see here the Department of
22 Defense through the Army. The California Energy
23 Commission, in fact, as well as the Department of
24 Energy.

25 We are working on mobile electric power

1 for the Army to improve its efficiency and its
2 power quality. We are working on power quality
3 under a CEC-funded program and expect to start
4 rolling out the first products this year under
5 that program to improve the efficiency of facility
6 transformers in commercial and industrial
7 applications.

8 Solar inverters. And for the Department
9 of Energy a very hot button area is in grid
10 support. To enable distributed generation through
11 energy storage to be able to support the grid
12 against blackouts like what we saw in New York
13 City a few years ago. So we are working on some
14 very cutting edge stuff. And to add to it,
15 SkyTran. So please go to the next slide.

16 Just to cover briefly, SkyTran is a
17 grid-connected, personal electric vehicle system.
18 So in this sense it is completely different from
19 anything you have seen before. The only grid-
20 connected transportation you might have seen would
21 be trolley buses and large, electric trains. This
22 is a personal vehicle that is connected to the
23 grid so it has unlimited range. Wherever you lay
24 that guideway you can go.

25 It is very energy efficient because it

1 does not have a battery on board and it does not
2 require charging. It has a high voltage DC
3 backbone, which can be leveraged to enable the
4 connection of energy storage. And it also
5 facilitates the interconnection of renewables.

6 And because of its high rider throughput
7 and its low greenhouse gas emissions it really
8 goes a long way to helping satisfy the needs of
9 the AB 32 targets.

10 The big picture here is that greenhouse
11 gas emissions, energy and congestion are the three
12 main, troubling aspects of personal
13 transportation. The picture shown here is a
14 vision of the future. SkyTran can do a lot to
15 alleviate all three of these, including the
16 congestion factor. Not just the greenhouse gas
17 emissions and the energy consumption pieces. So I
18 would like to move to the next slide, please.

19 SkyTran is very energy efficient. And
20 the reason it is is that it is connected to the
21 grid directly to provide the power. And it has a
22 bidirectional connection to the grid enabled by
23 One-Cycle Control technology. This bidirectional
24 connection means that when the SkyTran vehicles
25 accelerate energy comes from the grid. And when

1 the SkyTran vehicles decelerate the energy goes
2 back to the grid so it can be used by other loads
3 on the grid. So in this sense it is extremely
4 energy efficient. Because it is operating on
5 passively magnetic levitation you do not use
6 energy for the levitation function. But at the
7 same time you end up with a vehicle that is very
8 easy to move. If you just gave it a push it would
9 go a long ways.

10 The track is where the motor is located.
11 The guideway has individual electric motors across
12 its full length and these provide the propulsion
13 to the system. So the moving vehicle only has to
14 carry the passengers and the vehicle weight and
15 does not need to carry an engine, a motor or any
16 energy storage systems. Let's go to the next
17 slide.

18 Also because of the fact that it has a
19 high-voltage DC bus backbone, it is very easy to
20 interconnect renewables such as the solar array
21 shown here. And to enable the creation of
22 multiple plug-in hybrid electric vehicle and
23 electric vehicle charging stations at the stations
24 where you would like to get on the SkyTran. And
25 the next slide.

1 So what we are talking about here is
2 really an evolutionary trend in vehicle
3 technology. As we go across the bottom of this
4 slide we see we move from vehicles that are
5 powered by various fossil fuels to hybrid electric
6 vehicles that include batteries that extend range
7 and reduce fuel use. And then plug-in hybrid
8 electric vehicles to further increase the range.
9 And then larger batteries and no fuel in a full
10 electric vehicle.

11 When you go up to SkyTran you end up
12 with a system that because it is grid-connected
13 there is no extension cord, there's no moving
14 batteries. Batteries can be leveraged and
15 connected to the high-voltage DC bus like shown in
16 the picture here so as to provide backup power to
17 the system and as well enable the grid, the
18 electrical grid. Through the bidirectional
19 connection to the grid you can enable the grid to
20 do some demand and supply level leveling. So in
21 this sense it provides a very nice coalescence of
22 useful capabilities. Go to the next slide,
23 please.

24 And this work is underway. There has
25 been a substantial amount of development effort

1 that has gone into this. What you see here is
2 phase two of the power electronics recently
3 delivered to the SkyTran team and they are working
4 to develop their linear motors that will be used
5 in their SkyTran system.

6 We look forward to continued development
7 on this program. We believe that through the AB
8 118 funding and the technology and the innovation
9 that is in California through this California
10 strategic partner arrangement under SkyTran, we
11 have an opportunity working with the CEC to
12 deliver breakthrough transportation technology to
13 the world. Green jobs, manufacturing, high-tech.

14 And with that, I really appreciate the
15 opportunity to speak and thank you for your time.
16 My last slide just says thank you. And we are in
17 Irvine, California. We welcome you to visit us if
18 you are interested in seeing some of the
19 interesting things we are doing in power
20 electronics to save energy. Thanks.

21 MR. WARD: Thank you, Greg. Very nice.

22 (Applause.)

23 MR. WARD: Are there any other public
24 comments? We have been through quite a few
25 already today. Is there anybody that we missed on

1 the phone?

2 MS. MAGAYA: I don't think so.

3 MR. WARD: Anyone in the room?

4 I want to thank you all for attending
5 the workshop. We are a little bit over schedule
6 but I appreciate your perseverance and your
7 patience. Thanks very much.

8 And please sign up with our list serve
9 at the Energy Commission's website. We will
10 notify you of the next events that we have.
11 Thanks again.

12 (Whereupon, at 1:17 p.m., the Staff
13 Workshop was adjourned.)

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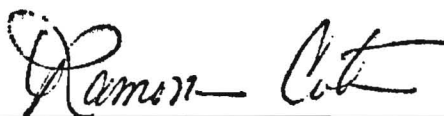
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