Alternative Fuels Transportation Plan (AB1007; Docket #06-AFP-1): Hydrogen Scenario Comments from BP PLC

I would not wish to criticize the Alternative Fuels Transportation Plan (AB1007) report as it has been thoroughly done by the panel, so my congratulations to the panel members on a job well done. My comments really pertain to the prognosis for the hydrogen highway, for fuel cell vehicles, and the hydrogen infrastructure, based on the comments in the AB1007 report. Essentially, the report gives a very sobering expectation for the growth of hydrogen vehicles and for the evolution of hydrogen transport. With this sort of a timeframe corporations will see little incentive to invest at this time in FCV's or in the hydrogen infrastructure. Instead, corporations will opt to wait for 15-25 years before taking any sort of material position in hydrogen in California. This won't help our joint efforts to address GHGs, I'm afraid.

Sincerely, Dr. Bill Fitzharris General Manager of Hydrogen Transport BP PLC

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