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## Re: Proposed Rulemaking - Diesel Vehicle Idling; and Auxiliary Power Systems (#7.422)

## The Environmental Quality Board (EQB) has received the following comments regarding the above-referenced proposed rulemaking.

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Dear Board Members, I recently became aware of the proposed rules for diesel idling. I am not a driver or truck owner, nor do I have any affiliation with the trucking industry. I am writing as a past and future bus rider to comment on the specific parts of the rules affecting buses. As I understand the rules for buses, the bus may idle a maximum of 15 minutes in a 60 minute period. While this seems generally reasonable, I suggest that you allow for unusual weather and temperature situations. For example, if outdoor temperatures exceed 90 degrees, the interior of an un-airconditioned bus can be quite unpleasant. Given the increasing volatility of weather conditions, both high and low temperatures could occur more frequently than in recent conditions. Therefore, I suggest that the rules for bus idling be relaxed when ambient temperatures are either above 90 degrees or below 40 degrees. Thank you for the opportunity to comment. Richard Wendt

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Please contact me if you have any questions. Sincerely, Michele L. Tate

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