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Subject: Proposed Rulemaking - Diesel Vehicle Idling; and Auxiliary Power Systems (#7-422)

## 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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I am the father of a child who has been hospitalized three times with severe asthma attacks. The airborne particulate matter emitted by diesel motors is one of the chief life-threatening environmental problems that she must face daily. Buses and trucks idling, sometimes for extended periods of time, create areas of greater density of the air pollution that she must avoid every day. Requiring diesel motors to be turned off while the vehicle is not being driven is a minimal inconvenience that would make a significant improvement to all of us who must "share the air", but would also cut down on an unnecessary use if an increasingly expensive and damaging resource.

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

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