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RE: Withdrawal of Elements of California's Request for Authorization, Pursuant to Clean Air Act Section 209(e)(2), for the Commercial Harbor Craft (CHC) Regulation, Docket ID EPA-HQ-OAR-2023-0153

Dear Acting Administrator Nishida:

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) appreciates the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) recent partial authorization of its Commercial Harbor Craft (CHC) regulation.¹

In its action, U.S. EPA did not take final action on two elements of the CHC regulation for in-use engines and vessels: the zero-emission and advanced technologies (ZEAT) standards for in-use short-run ferries and the emissions "standards for in-use engines and vessels (excluding commercial fishing vessels) that would apply after the expiration of the feasibility extensions".² CARB accordingly withdraws its request for authorization of these aforementioned elements of the CHC regulation: the zero-emission and advanced technologies (ZEAT) standards for in-use short-run ferries and the emissions standards for in-use engines and vessels (excluding commercial fishing vessels) that would apply after the expiration of the feasibility extensions.

Respectfully submitted,



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¹ California State Nonroad Engine Pollution Control Standards; Commercial Harbor Craft Regulations; Notice of Decision, signed January 6, 2025, Docket ID EPA-HQ-OAR-2023-0153-0086; Decision Document, January 2025, Docket ID EPA-HQ-OAR-2023-0153-0085.

² Notice of Decision, signed January 6, 2025, Docket ID EPA-HQ-OAR-2023-0153-0086, p. 7

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