August 4, 2021

Deldi Reyes
Director, Office of Community Air Protection
California Air Resources Board
Office of Community Air Protection
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95812

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) staff submittal of the amended Eastern Coachella Valley (ECV) Community Emissions Reduction Plan (CERP) for Assembly Bill (AB) 617

Dear Ms. Reyes:

South Coast AQMD staff has prepared this electronic submittal package of the ECV CERP to fulfill the California Air Resources Board's (CARB's) Community Air Protection Blueprint requirements. South Coast AQMD developed the ECV CERP with the Community Steering Committee (CSC). The ECV CERP includes the ECV community's air quality priorities, actions to implement emissions and exposure reductions, and addresses comments received during the development process. The South Coast AQMD Governing Board adopted the ECV CERP on December 4, 2020. At that time, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board directed staff to work with the CSC to provide additional details on the ECV CERP monitoring objectives, collaborations with other entities, and incentive strategies. As a result, the South Coast AQMD staff continued working with the CSC to add these details to the ECV CERP and proposed amendments to the ECV CERP, which were adopted at the South Coast AQMD Governing Board Meeting held on June 4, 2021. The Governing Board Meetings are public hearings that allow for public comment. The public participated in the Governing Board Meeting held on June 4 remotely using a virtual platform. Spanish interpretation was provided for the meeting.

The enclosed electronic ECV CERP submittal package includes the documents listed below.

 An electronic copy of the final ECV CERP, including the ECV CERP adopted by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board on December 4, 2020 and plan amendments adopted on June 4, 2021.

- The South Coast AQMD Governing Board resolution letter adopting the CERP amendments along with the minutes and agenda from the June 4, 2021 Governing Board Meeting. South Coast AQMD's Governing Board's resolution letter adopting the ECV CERP along with the minutes and agenda from the December 4, 2020 Governing Board Meeting was submitted to CARB on March 10, 2021. The previous CARB submittal package may be accessed at http://www.aqmd.gov/nav/about/initiatives/environmental-justice/ab617-134/eastern-coachella-valley/cerp-archive.
- The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) documents from the June 4, 2021 Governing Board Meeting.
- A checklist mapping document cross-referencing where elements outlined in CARB's Community Air Protection Blueprint are located in the CERP.

The documents listed above may be accessed via the following DropBox link:

 $\underline{https://www.dropbox.com/sh/zjud66k29czp53j/AADnxBE0eDeQf-I-vx8WpfELa?dl=0}$

South Coast AQMD staff looks forward to continued implementation of the ECV CERP and the ongoing collaborations with your staff to address the air pollution priorities in the ECV community. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this submittal package, please feel free to contact Mr. Dan Garcia at 909-396-3304 or dgarcia@aqmd.gov.

Sincerely,

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Director of Community Air Programs

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