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Dear Mr. Krause:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the South Coast Air Quality Management District (Air District) staff proposal to amend Regulation 1146.2 to reduce emissions of nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>) from large water heaters, small boilers, and process heaters. California Air Resource Board (CARB) commends the Air District for its leadership to advance zero-NO<sub>x</sub> emission limits for these applications that will contribute to reducing NO<sub>x</sub> emissions to address the extreme nonattainment for ozone standards in the South Coast Air Basin.

CARB supports the Air District's proposed amendments to this rule and applauds the Air District's efforts to act in the area where there is demonstrated technology ready to deploy at scale with tremendous health benefits. The Air District's adoption of zero-NO<sub>x</sub> emission limits for large water heaters, small boilers, and process heaters will be an essential contribution for meeting air quality standards in the South Coast Air Basin.

CARB looks forward to coordinating with the Air District on the implementation of the rule amendments. Please contact me if you have any questions or wish to discuss further.

Sincerely,

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