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Board Agenda Item

TO: Air Pollution Control District Board

FROM: Terry Dressler, Air Pollution Control Officer

CONTACT: Ron Tan, Planning and Technology Supervisor (961-8812)

SUBJECT: Old Car Buyback Program

RECOMMENDATION:

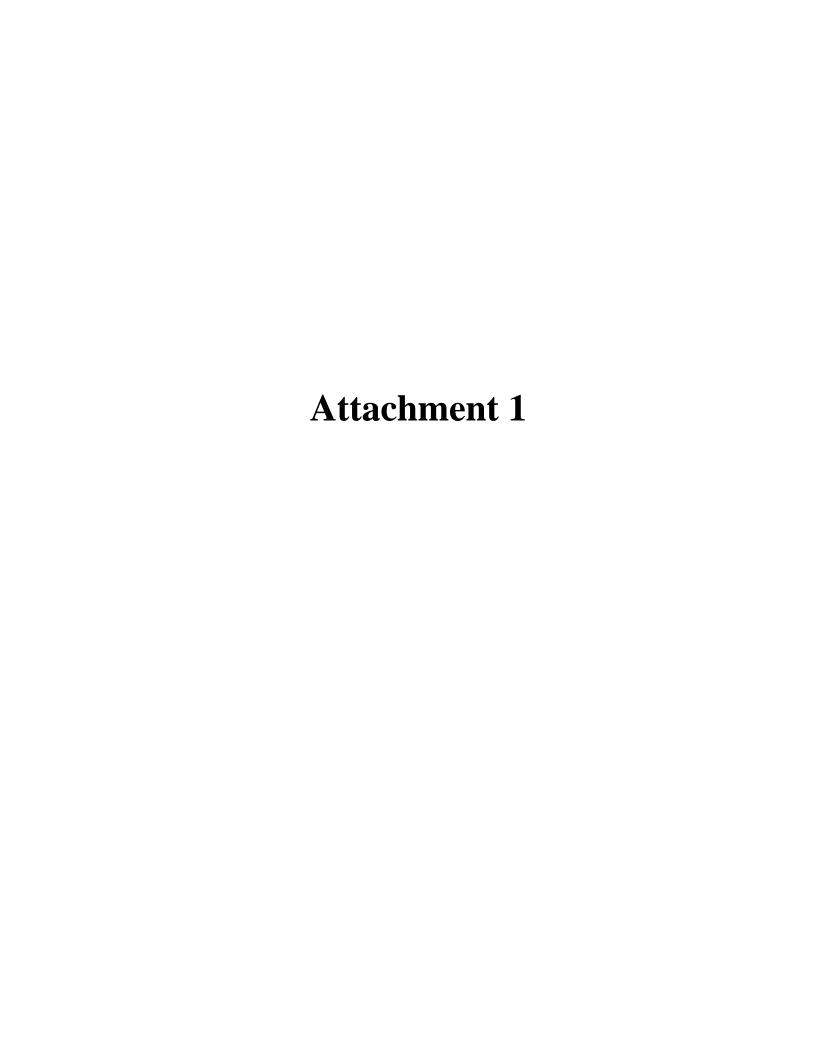
Receive and file notification of program funding increase for the APCD Old Car Buyback program.

DISCUSSION:

On June 15, 2006 your Board authorized the APCO to increase the current funding amount of \$250,000 for the APCD Old Car Buyback (OCBB) program by \$150,000 with an option for an additional \$100,000 if community interest justifies it. The purpose of this authorization was to ensure that the OCBB program will continue without interruptions which might result from delays in obtaining additional funding allocations. Staff agreed to update the Board of any increases in OCBB program funding authorized by the APCO at the subsequent Board meeting. Due to continued community demand for the program the APCO increased the OCBB budget by \$150,000 on July 25, 2006, resulting in a total program funding amount of \$400,000 (See Attachment 1).

ATTACHMENT:

1. July 25, 2006 APCO letter authorizing an increase in program funding



Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District

July 25, 2006

Mr. Antoine Assioun Environmental Engineering Studies 7981 Paseo Membrillo Carlsbad, CA 92009

Subject:

Old Car Buyback Program Funding Increase

Dear Mr. Assioun:

This letter is in response to the large amount of community interest in the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District's (APCD) Old Car Buyback Program and the potential for additional cost-effective emission reductions. As you know, the program officially began on May 1, 2006, and has since qualified over 230 vehicles for participation. The current program amount of \$250,000 will retire 246 vehicles, and as we approach this number we would like to take proactive measures to ensure that the program is able to continue without interruptions due to delays in funding allocations.

On June 15, 2006 our Board authorized me to increase the grant funding from the current amount of \$250,000 up to \$400,000 upon written notice and with your concurrence. Pursuant to this condition and your email concurrence on July 24, 2006 the APCD will increase your grant funding from \$250,000 to \$400,000 and this letter will constitute the written notice required by our Board's action.

Please be aware that we have budgeted \$29,000 to pay any invoices we receive for your contractor fees during the current fiscal year (FY0607: July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007). This budgeted amount will allow for the purchase of 193 vehicles during FY0607, resulting in a program total of 322 vehicles retired (129 vehicles were purchased prior to July 1, 2006). We request that you keep track of the status of the accumulating contractor fees during FY0607 and notify us as the total vehicles purchased through this program reaches 300. If you have any questions, please contact Anthony Fournier of my staff at 805-961-8874.

Sincerely,

Terry Dressler

Air Pollution Control Officer

cc:

Linda Alexander, APCD Anthony Fournier, APCD