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Independent Oil Producers Alliance



December 19, 2023

Hon. Gavin Newsom Governor State of California

Re: Request for Meeting with Workers and Businesses to Establish State Funding and Policies

That Embrace Dual and Equal Goals of Growing the Economy and Reducing Greenhouse Gasses

Governor Newsom -

Our ask of you is simple. The sustainability coalition members listed below request a results-oriented conversation with you and your administration as soon as possible regarding the constraints of implementation and real-world impacts of the state's policies of reducing pollutants and green-house gas emissions. While our Coalition understands the important goals and aims of your policies (some of which take effect as soon as January 1, 2024), we are increasingly concerned with unresolved economic feasibility, technological challenges, and lack of essential infrastructure required to make them a reality by 2035.

Fortunately, California is presently making significant progress in air quality within the limits of technology and funding (e.g. farm tractors; trucks; trains; ships and cargo equipment at Ports) but we can only go as fast as reality and feasibility allow. Utility constraints assure that California's immediate zero-emissions deadlines are not achievable. Many potential purchasers of equipment, as well as their manufacturers and dealers agree. Under current circumstances, this will damage our supply chain.

Respectfully, we understand that aggressive deadlines energize clean air goals but our assessment is that these will eventually prove to be unrealistic unless government provides sufficient financial support and regulatory flexibility to make them happen. Successfully implemented, this will result in cleaner air and the added value of enhanced investment, successful businesses, and elimination of the present anxiety of businesses and workers who fear an uncertain future for themselves and their families.

We will ask for assurance in our meeting with you that government will allocate the financial resources required and make commitments to work collaboratively and proactively with all supply chain stakeholders to identify and respect the real-world constraints of feasibility needed to implement your air quality policies. This is necessary to reassure farmers that they will have access to affordable, next generation equipment which efficiently performs as needed; that truckers have the same access; that sea bearing ships so essential to the export of California products will be welcomed in our Ports; and that indispensable longshoremen will continue to have cargo to move.

If we can accomplish this, Governor, your constituents in urban and rural communities alike will be able to step back from the edge of the cliff and breathe a sigh of relief. The clock is ticking on the entire supply chain, making a meeting with you and the Coalition imperative as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

African American Farmers of California

International Longshore and Warehouse Union Local 10

AgTC: Agriculture Transportation Coalition J&E Hulling

AJ Farms, LLC JFS Enterprises, Inc.

Almond Tree Hulling Co. J. G. Boswell Company

American Olive Oil Producers Association JK Farms, LLC

American Pistachio Growers Jose Carlos Ramirez, World Boxing Champion

Anderson & Sons Shelling Kern County Farm Bureau

Atlas Almonds Kings County Farm Bureau

Baggie Farms Kings River Packing

Bay Area Council Kingville Farms

Belmont Nursery Klassen Farms, Inc.

Biz Fed Central Valley Business Federation KY Farming, LLC

Blessed Harvest, Inc.

LA Customs Brokers & Freight Forwarders Associ-

ation

Boos & Associates Leopoldo Farm Service

Booth Ranches, LLC Lone Star Dehydrator

Brandt Farms Mayor Beltran of Parlier, CA

Bullseye Farms Woodland Mayor Guerra of Orange Cove, CA

Butte Farm Bureau Mayor Martinez of Mendota, CA

Cal Coast Almond Processing, Inc Mayor Parra of Fowler, CA

California Agricultural Aircraft Association Mayor Preciado of Avenal, CA

California Apple Commission Madera County Farm Bureau

California Association of Flower Growers and

Shippers

Manco Ag Services

California Avocado Commission Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association (MEBA)

California Blueberry Association Marine Fireman's Union

California Blueberry Commission Mendocino County Farm Bureau

California Building Industry Association Merced County Farm Bureau

California Business Poperties Association Mid-Valley Cotton Growers, Inc.

California Business Roundtable Mike Jackson Farms, Inc.

California Cotton Ginners and Growers Associa-

tion

Milk Producers Council

California Farm Bureau Minturn Huller Cooperative, Inc.

California Fresh Fruit Association Minturn Nut Company, Inc.

California League of Food Producers Moonlight Companies

California Olive Oil Council Musco Family Olive Co

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Dalena Farms Raisin Bargaining Association

Del Rey Packing Company Ramirez Ag Labor Services

Del Rio Nut Company Raven Farms

Dreisbach River Oak Orchards

El Dorado California Grown Almomds RWC Almonds, LLC

Enzo Olive Oil Company, Inc. San Diego Customs Brokers Association

Family Orchards, Inc. San Francisco Bar Pilots

Farm Bureau Monterey San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federation

Farmers Cooperative Gin, Inc. Sierra Valley Almonds

Fresno County Farm Bureau SSA Marine

Fresno Equipment Co. Stewart & Jasper Orchards

Fruit Harvest Family, Inc. TGS Logistics Inc.

Furlong Family Farms The Almond Company

Gold River Orchards The Peterson Family

Grapeman Labor The Propellor Club of the US

Grizzly Nut, LLC Travaille and Phippen, Inc

Grower Direct Nut Co Tulare County Farm Bureau

GSC Logistics TVT Transportation

GUSS Automation U.S. Meat Export Federation

Hamilton Ranches, Inc. Valley Harvest Nut Co., Inc.

Hoff Farms Valliwide Organics

Holland Nut Company Vann Family Orchards

Harbor Trucking Association (HTA) Wawona Frozen Foods

IMC Western Agricultural Processing Association

Independent Oil Producers Alliance Western Plant Health Association

Ingomar Packing Company Wiebe Farms, Inc.

Inland Empire Economic Partnership Young's Inc.

Insure America Project Youngstown Grape Distributors, Inc.

International Longshore & Warehouse Union Youngstown Grape Distributors, Inc.