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APPROVED MINUTES

Summary of Board of Directors
Mobile Source Committee Meeting
9:00 a.m., Monday, July 17, 2006

1. Call to Order – Roll Call: Chairperson Tim Smith called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Present: Tim Smith, Chairperson; Scott Haggerty, Jerry Hill, Carol Klatt, Pamela Torliatt (9:15 a.m.).

Absent: Jake McGoldrick, Michael Shimansky, John Silva

2. Public Comment Period: There were none.

3. Approval of Minutes of May 15, 2006: Approval of the minutes was deferred until a quorum was present.

4. Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) County Program Manager Expenditure Plans for Fiscal Year 2006/2007: *The Committee considered recommending Board of Directors' approval of fiscal year 2006/2007 TFCA County Program Manager expenditure plans.*

Juan Ortellado, Grant Programs Manager, presented the report and provided information on staff recommendations for Board of Directors' approval of:

- the fiscal year (FY) 2006/2007 TFCA County Program Manager projects; and
- the exchange of \$1,843,344 and \$811,895 of the FY 2006/2007 TFCA County Program Manager funds of the Alameda and Santa Clara County Program Managers, respectively, with Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds to help fund the Air District's Vehicle Buy Back program.

Director Pamela Torliatt arrived at 9:15 a.m.

Mr. Ortellado reviewed the project evaluation guidelines and the TFCA County Program Manager expenditure plans for FY 2006/2007, as summarized in Tables 1 and 2 of the staff report.

Staff recommended that the Committee recommend Board of Directors' approval of County Program Manager expenditure plans for FY 2006/2007 summarized on Table 1 of the staff report and the exchange of \$1,843,344 and \$811,895 of the FY 2006/2007 TFCA County Program

Manager funds of the Alameda and Santa Clara County Program Managers, respectively, with CMAQ funds.

Committee Action: Director Haggerty moved the staff recommendations; seconded by Director Hill; carried unanimously without objection.

5. **Transportation Fund for Clean Air Funding to Augment Spare the Air/Free Transit:** *The Committee considered recommending Board of Directors' approval of transferring TFCA Regional Funds from Vehicle Buy Back (Program 612) to Spare the Air (Program 306) to help fund up to 3 additional Spare the Air/Free Transit days this summer.*

Jack Colbourn, Director of Outreach & Incentives presented the report and stated that during this Spare the Air season which runs from June 1, 2006 through October 13, 2006, the Air District and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) partnered with 25 Bay Area transit operators to offer free rides all day during the first three non-holiday Spare the Air weekdays. Spare the Air advisories were declared on June 22, 23 and 26. Therefore, monies allocated for the 2006 Spare the Air/Free Fare campaign budget is almost fully expended, with three months remaining in the summer ozone season.

Mr. Colbourn reviewed the program results to date including increase in ridership and the media coverage.

In order to continue the Free Transit Program in 2006, Air District funding is needed to augment the MTC funding. Staff recommends adding three more Spare the Air/Free Fare days to the program and that the Committee recommend Board of Director approval to transfer \$800,000 from the TFCA Vehicle Buy Back (VBB) Program (Program # 612) to the Spare the Air Program (Program # 306) to help fund the additional days.

In response to Director Haggerty's question, Jean Roggenkamp, Deputy Air Pollution Control Officer, explained that the addition of TFCA Program Manager Funds to the VBB means less TFCA Regional Funds are needed to meet the VBB Program objectives. The transfer of \$800,000 will not affect the VBB Program.

Director Haggerty suggested that the District staff work with the editorial staff of the ANG newspapers in Alameda County through an educational process to make them aware of how the funds are generated and handled. Director Haggerty also suggested that the District consider cancelling Committee meetings on Spare the Air days because it does not send the right message to the public when Directors must commute to the District Offices on Spare the Air days.

Director Torliatt suggested that the District implement its videoconferencing system as soon as possible to avoid commuting to attend Committee meetings on Spare the Air days.

Committee Action: Director Haggerty moved the staff recommendation; seconded by Director Torliatt; carried unanimously without objection.

6. **Transportation Fund for Clean Air Program Auditor Selection:** *The Committee considered recommending Board of Directors' approval to award a contract of up to \$77,320 to the firm of Macias, Gini & Company to perform an audit of TFCA Program Manager projects.*

Andrea Gordon, Senior Environmental Planner, presented the report and stated that a fiscal audit of the TFCA-funded projects is required by law at least once every two years, and that the last audit was conducted in 2004. There are 290 TFCA County Program Manager projects to be audited. The audit is expected to begin in August and the final report will be completed in October 2006. Ms. Gordon reported that three proposals were received and that staff reviewed them using pre-established criteria for evaluation of the proposals.

Staff recommended that the Committee recommend Board of Directors' approval of: 1) the selection of Macias, Gini & Company to conduct the TFCA fiscal audits, and (2) authorization for the Air Pollution Control Officer to execute a contract of up to \$77,320 for these services.

Committee Action: Director Hill moved the staff recommendations; seconded by Director Haggerty; carried unanimously without objection.

3. **Approval of Minutes of May 15, 2006:** There being a quorum, Director Haggerty moved approval of the minutes; seconded by Director Hill; carried unanimously without objection.
7. **Vehicle Buy-Back Program Fiscal Year 2005/2006 Annual Report:** *Staff presented the Vehicle Buy-Back Program fiscal year 2005/2006 Annual Report.*

Joseph Steinberger, Principal Environmental Planner, presented the report and provided an overview of the Vehicle Buy Back (VBB) Program. Mr. Steinberger noted that the VBB Program is one of the most cost-effective TFCA-funded programs, with an estimated cost-effectiveness of \$7,300 per ton of reduced emissions for fiscal year 2005/2006. The VBB Program currently purchases and scraps model year 1985 and older light-duty vehicles that lack modern emission control systems and, therefore, produce more air pollution than newer cars. The program is voluntary and pays \$650 to a vehicle owner if the vehicle qualifies for the program.

The budget for FY 2005/2006 was \$7.4 million which will fund the purchase and scrapping of 7,968 eligible vehicles. Three vehicle dismantling contractors, with a total of 21 dismantling yards in the Bay Area, purchased and scrapped an average of 520 vehicles per month during FY 2005/2006.

Committee Action: The Committee received and filed the report.

8. **Committee Member Comments/Other Business:** There were none.
9. **Time and Place of Next Meeting:** At the Call of the Chair.
10. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

/s/ Neel Advani
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Deputy Clerk of the Boards