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URGENT MESSAGE FOR OWNERS OF PORTABLE CONCRETE PUMPS!

If you have not registered your portable concrete pumps (trailer or skid mounted) with the California Air Resource Board or your local Air Quality District and your concrete pump has a Tier 0 or Tier 1 engine, you could be subject to substantial fines and penalties which could cause you the loss of your business.

On February 26, 2004, the Air Resources Board adopted an Air Toxic Control Measure (ATCM) for portable diesel-fueled engines. The ATCM became effective on March 11, 2005 and will affect all diesel-fueled portable engines that are 50 horsepower and larger. The measure requires all portable engines to be certified to Tier 1, 2, or 3 U.S. EPA/ARB off-road engine standards by 2010. After 2010, all fleets of portable engines are required to meet diesel PM emission averages that become more stringent in 2013, 2017, and 2020.

A statewide Portable Equipment Registration Program (PERP) was established to allow pumpers who work in more than one local air quality district to only have to register once. Under the 1997 regulation, you would have to register in every district. The PERP allows CARB to monitor the compliance with the new measures and requires owners of portable diesel-fuel engines to report this information to CARB.

For owners of equipment containing a Tier 2 engine, you should register as soon as possible. Information on how to register is available from the CARB website at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/portable/perp> or by contacting the CARB direct at (916) 324-5869.

However, registration for equipment containing a Tier 0 (built before 1996) or a Tier 1 (built before 2003) engine expired on December 31, 2005 and as of January 01, 2006, any unregistered equipment will be subjected to fines and penalties as enforced by the 35 local air quality management districts. Penalties can amount to a maximum fine of \$10,000 per unit per day and could also include forfeiture of the right to operate this equipment in the state of California. Many businesses in the state of California have already been affected.

The American Concrete Pumping Association (ACPA) will represent concrete pump owners who did not meet the registration deadline for Tier 0 and Tier 1 engines at a meeting with CARB officials on September 28, 2006. At this meeting we will petition the board to re-open the registration process. Your immediate response to the enclosed/attached survey is required in preparation for our request.

Sincerely,

Christi Collins

Executive Director

For more information visit the CARB website at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/portable> or contact your concrete pump manufacturer. All responses are considered confidential information and the property of the ACPA. Information received will be used solely for the purposes of submitting general statistical data to the CARB.