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Board of Directors Eastern Kern APCD 2700 "M" Street, Suite 302 Bakersfield, California 93301

SUBJECT: Agreements with Sierra Sands Unified School District for School Bus Replacement with

AB 1550 Community Air Protection Funds

## Honorable Board:

The Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District (District) has been awarded Community Air Protection funds to be used for reductions of criteria air pollutants and toxic emissions in disadvantaged or low-income communities, as defined in AB 1550 (CAP funds). CAP funded projects must be administered pursuant to the Carl Moyer Diesel Emissions Reduction Program (CMP) guidelines. Eligible CMP projects include replacing older high-emitting school buses with new zero emission electric school buses.

Sierra Sands Unified School District (SSUSD) identified the following two school buses that qualify for replacement, and have provided a Board resolution agreeing to replace them: 1987, International, Special Needs Agreement 11-003-2022 1990, International, Special Needs Agreement 11-004-2022

Each Agreement will provide up to \$166,126.00 in CMP/CAP funds for the purchase of a new zero emission electric special needs school bus, with an estimated total cost of \$356,319.00 per bus. Each old school bus will be permanently removed from service and salvaged once its new replacement bus is purchased and placed in service.

Three copies of the proposed agreements, a sample of which is attached, were sent to the applicant to approve by signature. The District expects the signed agreements to be returned prior to the Board Meeting. If any significant changes are identified by the applicant, the item will be withdrawn and the Agreement will be held to the January 2023, Board Meeting.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED** your Board approve and authorize Chairman to sign Agreements 11-003-2022 and 11-004-2022 with Sierra Sands Unified School District for the purchase of two new electric special needs school buses.

Sincerely,

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