The California Air Resources Board (ARB) has funded $18 million for the second year of the Hybrid Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project (HVIP), aimed at accelerating California deployment of new battery-electric and hybrid-electric medium- and heavy-duty vehicles. The HVIP will provide vouchers of $10,000 to $30,000 for the purchase of each of the new eligible hybrid-electric and battery-electric trucks and buses, on a first-come, first-served basis.

The informational workshop is open to all fleets that operate medium- and heavy-duty vehicles in the state of California. Dealers are welcome, too. To assist the fleets in understanding the program, CALSTART, the program administrator, is conducting five on-site training workshops throughout the state (Sacramento, San Francisco, Fresno, Los Angeles, and San Diego) and potentially a sixth workshop in February. This notice is for the workshop in the Bay Area Air Quality Management District only. Notices for other workshops will follow soon.

The workshops are specifically tailored for fleets to learn all about HVIP, but dealers are encouraged to attend.

RSVP to David Kantor (626.744.5611 or dkanter@calstart.org) with COMPLETE contact information (your name, name of fleet/dealer, address, phone and e-mail address) by Tuesday, January 18, 2011.

For more information on the program, please go to www.californiahvip.org.

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