



MAYOR ROBERT GARCIA
CITY OF LONG BEACH

June 14, 2018

The Honorable Ricardo Lara
California State Senator
State Capitol, Room 5050
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support for SB 1403 (Lara) – California Clean Truck, Bus, and Off-Road Vehicle and Equipment Technology Program

Dear Senator Lara:

On behalf of the City of Long Beach, I write in support of Senate Bill 1403 (Lara). This bill proposes to expand the California Clean Truck, Bus, and Off-Road Vehicle and Equipment Technology Program to allow zero- and near-zero fueling and charging strategies as projects to be eligible for funding. Support for this bill is a natural extension of the City's dedication to creating a cleaner environment and healthier communities for all our residents.

The City of Long Beach has a vested interest in improving air quality for the health and well-being of our residents. Home to the Port of Long Beach and adjacent to the Port of Los Angeles, Long Beach is among the nation's busiest goods movement corridors. The amount of truck traffic that is needed to transport goods is significant. Thus, many of the communities along transportation corridors in Long Beach tend to experience adverse health effects associated with air pollution.

By supporting projects that can help reduce greenhouse gas emissions along transportation corridors, SB 1403 has the potential to positively impact public health in Long Beach.

Given these reasons, the City of Long Beach supports SB 1403 (Lara).

Sincerely,

Mayor Robert Garcia
City of Long Beach