

"CLEANER DIESEL FUEL"

IF SOMEONE TOLD YOU THERE WAS A SIMPLE DIESEL FUEL ADDITIVE THAT CUTS DOWN THE SMOKE AND POLLUTION FROM TRUCKS AND BUSES. INCREASES GAS MILEAGE AND CUTS MAINTENANCE COSTS, YOU PROBABLY WOULDN'T BELIEVE IT. THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT SEEMS TO BE HAPPENING WITH THE CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD. FOR THE PAST 18 MONTHS, COUNCILMAN RICHARD ALATORRE HAS BEEN CALLING FOR THE USE OF OMSTAR D-1280X, A DIESEL FUEL ADDITIVE THAT HAS CUT POLLUTION DRAMATICALLY IN YEARS OF TESTING. DESPITE THIS, THE AIR RESOURCES BOARD CAN'T SEEM TO FIND THE TIME TO DO ITS OWN FINAL TESTING SO THE ADDITIVE CAN BE USED THROUGHOUT THE SOUTHLAND. WE RECENTLY SUPPORTED NEW AIR POLLUTION REGULATIONS BY THE AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT. INCLUDING A PLAN TO CHANGE CARS AND TRUCKS TO CLEANER BURNING METHANOL, BUT A CHANCE LIKE THAT COULD TAKE DECADES. IN THE MEANTIME, BY ENCOURAGING -- OR REQUIRING -- THE USE OF THIS FUEL ADDITIVE IN TRUCKS AND BUSES. WE COULD SEE IMMEDIATE RESULTS. THE BEST PART IS THAT TESTS SHOW IT PAYS FOR ITSELF IN BETTER GAS MILEAGE AND LOWER MAINTENANCE COSTS. LOS ANGELES CITY IS MOVING FORWARD BY CALLING FOR ITS USE IN CITY TRUCKS AND AIRPORT BUSES. WE URGE THE AIR RESOURCES BOARD TO GET ON THE BAND WAGON AND PUSH UP THE TESTS ON OMSTAR D-1280X.

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