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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
September 9, 1988

TOM BRADLEY
MAYOR

Ms. Gordana Swanson
President, Board of Directors
Southern California Rapid Transit District
425 South Main Street, 2nd Floor
Los Angeles, California 90013

Dear Ms. Swanson:

It has come to my attention that American President Lines, one of the world's largest cargo carriers, has recently completed testing of an oil and diesel fuel additive which substantially reduced smoke from its equipment in Los Angeles and Oakland.

These tests, combined with those in the attached reports, suggest that these additives could make a major contribution in reducing smoke from RTD buses, as well as reducing costs for fuel and maintenance.

You also should know that at my request the City's Department of Airports began using the D-1280X fuel additive in its fleet of shuttle buses last month in order to reduce smoke around the terminals at LAX.

I believe it would now be appropriate for the RTD to investigate the experience at LAX and to begin a testing program of its own to determine how these additives might fit into the agency's overall plans to reduce pollution and operation costs.

Your assistance and cooperation in taking this matter forward would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Tom Bradley
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MAYOR

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cc: Mr. Alan Pegg, General Manager
Southern California Rapid Transit District

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Customer Report

PHONE NUMBER: 214-548-8879
 RECEIVED DATE: 09/21/88

AMERICAN PRESIDENT LINES
 BERTH 121 FLASH 126
 LA HARBOR
 SAN PEDRO, CA 98733-0000

EQUIPMENT: DETROIT 453
 SENDER: PM
 SAMPLE FROM: ENGINE
 PRODUCT: MULLI
 SAE:
 SAMPLE DATE: DIESEL 09/08/88

ATTN: GLENN RUCHAN

AB. NO.	PHYSICAL TESTS		WEAR METAL, PPM										ADDITIVES AND OTHER METALS, PPM												
	VISCOSITY SUS-210°F	SAE GRADE 210°F	SOLIDS % VOLUME	WATER FUEL DILUTION	ANTI-FREEZE	CHROMIUM	COPPER	IRON	LEAD	TIN	ALUMINUM	SILICON (DIRT)	ANTIMONY	BARIUM	BORON	CADMIUM	CALCIUM	MAGNESIUM	MOLYBDENUM	NICKEL	PHOSPHORUS	SILVER	SODIUM	TITANIUM	ZINC
5316	72	40	0.2	NNN		0	33	34	1	12	1	7	0	22	57	0	940	730	327	0	673	0	3	0	805

MAINTENANCE RECOMMENDATIONS (CURRENT SAMPLE ONLY)
 CHANGE OIL AND/OR FILTER IF NOT ALREADY DONE. RESAMPLE 1/2 NORMAL INTERVAL TO MONITOR WEAR. COPPER IS HIGH

TEST DATE: 09/21/88
 TKN: 1857
 DRAIN HRS/MI: 1857
 OIL ADDED

SIEGEL OIL COMPANY
 (SINCE 1927)
 1380 ZUNI STREET
 DENVER, COLORADO 80204
 (303) 883-3211

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