Glen E. Stephens, P.E. Air Pollution Control Officer

November 4, 2021

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

SUBJECT: Agreement with Tehachapi Unified School District for School Bus Replacement

Honorable Board:

The Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District (District) provides AB 923 funds (Stats. 2004, Ch. 707) to school districts for replacing older high-emitting school buses pursuant to the Lower-Emission School Bus Program (LESBP). Tehachapi Unified School District (TUSD) identified a high-emitting 2000 International school bus eligible for replacement.

TUSD submitted a Board resolution to the District agreeing to replace the high-emitting school bus with a new lower emissions school bus. Agreement 11-001-2021 will provide AB 923 funds of 62.16 percent of eligible costs, up to a maximum of \$110,000.00 of the estimated total project cost of \$176,965.46 associated with replacing the old bus. The old bus will be removed from service and salvaged once the new bus is placed in service.

Three copies of the proposed agreement, a sample copy of which is attached, were sent to the applicant to approve by signature and are expected to be returned to the District 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 If any significant changes are identified by the applicant, the item will be withdrawn and the Agreement will be held to the January 2022 Board Meeting.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED** your Board approve and authorize Chairman to sign Agreement 11-001-2021 with Tehachapi Unified School District for the purchase of a new school bus.

Sincerely,

Glen E. Stephens, P.E. Air Pollution Control Officer

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