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**Sent:** 8/4/2018 3:35:37 AM  
**To:** Matt Friedman [Ex. 6]  
**Subject:** Re: California Exemption

Matt - Thank you for your note. I encourage you to submit your thoughts as comments to the docket on the proposed rule. We have not yet decided what final action should be taken. It is important that we hear from everyone so that we can make the best decision that we can.

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> On Aug 3, 2018, at 10:21 PM, Matt Friedman [Ex. 6] wrote:  
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> Hi Mr. Wehrum-  
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> My name is Matt Friedman, and I moved to Los Angeles in 1993. I'm writing to ask you to please NOT revoke California's ability to set its own fuel efficiency standards. I have seen firsthand how well they have worked so far in my state.  
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> I moved to Los Angeles in 1993, and I remember how bad the air quality was. I remember the constant smog alerts. I remember the brownish tinge that the air always had. And I remember how the air smelled... all the time. But along with the increasing fuel efficiency standards, I've seen these air problems dramatically diminish. Make no mistake--- it's not perfect here, and there is still a ways to go. But OUR standards are working, and working well. You just can't understand what that means unless you've lived here through the transition. And since I have a kid now (3 years old) this issue is even more important to me.  
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> Have you ever been in Los Angeles the day after its rained? It's stunning- the air is cleansed to being crystal clear and everything looks as if a thin layer of grime has been wiped away from my glasses. It truly looks like a completely different city. Everything is sharp and colorful. The visuals are striking, and I'm sure that the health issues are reduced in just as striking a way for that one day after the rain. But we don't get a lot of rain, so my hope is that as our standards continue to work for our specific locale, eventually we will get to a place where every day looks (and breathes) as if it's just rained.  
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> So please, talk to us so that the country can get regulatory certainty, but please please please don't make us slow down the air quality improvements that we've been making. Our standards are working, and our health (and our kids health) depend on our continued success.  
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> Best Regards,  
> Matt