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**Attention Portable & Auxiliary Engine Owners:
Permit / Registration Deadline Quickly Approaching**

The San Luis Obispo County Air Pollution Control District (Air District) wants to make sure all owners of portable and auxiliary engines are aware and prepared to meet the December 31, 2009 permit / registration final deadline for portable and auxiliary engines 50 horsepower (hp) or greater. Owner of these engines have been legally required to obtain a State Air Resources Board Registration or Air District Permit for all portable and auxiliary engines 50 hp and greater since 2005. *Under State law, failure to obtain a permit for these diesel engines by December 31, 2009 has extreme consequences.* Typical engines of this size are found on generators, wood chippers, compressors, pumps, and drilling rigs. In addition, motor graders, cranes, vacuum trucks and street sweepers commonly have an auxiliary (additional non-drive) engine that also fall under these requirements.

The penalty under the State's Air Toxic Control Measure (ATCM) for portable diesel engines 50 hp and larger that do not obtain Air Resources Board Registration or local Air District Permit by December 31, 2009 is the permanent loss of use in California. Under the statewide penalty, all but the newest EPA Tier 3 certified diesel engines will be restricted to less than 80 hours of operation per year, for the life of the engine, if the permit/registration deadline is missed. This applies to engines that are currently not in use (non-op) as well.

Please contact the Air District at (805) 781-5912 to help you avoid the consequences of this State-imposed regulation. More information, and the registration application, can be found at www.slocleanair.org.

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