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Dr. Brad Edgar President Red Fox Resources 1001 42st, Suite 200 Oakland, CA 94608

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Dear Dr. Edgar:

Thank you for contacting us regarding Red Fox Resources, which you state is engaged in the disposal and recycling of used emission control parts in the heavy-duty industry. These parts include, for example, diesel oxidation catalysts, diesel particulate filters. and Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) systems, both diesel emission control system (DECS) parts as well as original engine manufacturer equipment (OEM) parts.

We understand you have received feedback from some of your customers who are concerned about selling used heavy-duty diesel and natural gas emission control parts in California due to the California Anti-tampering Law, Vehicle Code Section 27156 (VC 27156), which prohibits the removal or modification of existing emission control systems or components from vehicles or engines, or the sale and use of parts that modify the design or performance of OEM emission control parts that have not been exempted by ARB. Manufacturer must apply for and obtain an exemption from VC 27156 before they can legally sell or install any non-OEM parts on an engine. More details on these regulations can be found on ARB's website at

http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/decsinstall/eobuyerbeware.htm.

The sale or purchase of used heavy-duty diesel and natural gas emission control systems or parts for the purposes of disposal or recycling is not prohibited by VC 27156. but as stated above, sale of such parts for installation in motor vehicles or motor vehicle engines is prohibited unless such parts are exempted from VC 27156. We understand that Red Fox Resources provides a release of liability to the seller, such that the responsibility for properly disposing of the part and preventing its reuse is transferred to your company at the time of the transaction. The disposal of material after recycling in California must meet California's Hazardous Waste Handling and Disposal regulations.

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: http://www.arb.ca.gov.

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If you have any additional questions, please contact Kathleen Mead, Retrofit Implementation Advocate at (916) 324-9550 or by e-mail at kathleen.mead@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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