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WORKFORCE SERVICES

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TO: WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY

SUBJECT: REGIONAL INDUSTRY CLUSTERS OF OPPORTUNITY GRANTS

The purpose of this Information Notice is to advise the workforce community of the availability of approximately \$1.5 million for up to six grants through the Regional Clusters of Opportunity initiative. The grants will support projects for the development and deployment of innovative transportation technologies to transform California's transportation market into a diverse portfolio of alternative fuels and advanced vehicles that reduce California's greenhouse gas emissions and dependence on petroleum.

Funded by the California Energy Commission's Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program, the grants will support projects that:

- Develop and produce alternative and renewable low-carbon fuels in California
- Optimize alternative and renewable fuels for existing and developing engine technologies
- Decrease the overall impact and carbon footprint of alternative and renewable fuels and increase sustainability
- Expand fuel infrastructure, fueling stations, and equipment
- Improve light-, medium-, and heavy-duty alternative vehicle technologies
- Retrofit medium- and heavy-duty on-road and non-road vehicle fleets
- Expand infrastructure connected with existing fleets, public transit, and transportation corridors
- Establish workforce training programs, conduct public education and promotion, and create technology centers

Any individual entity designated to serve as the lead fiscal agent for funded activities on behalf of a Regional Network is eligible to apply. Preference will be given to Regional

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Networks in San Diego, Central Valley, Greater Sacramento, and three Bay Area Regions. Preference will also be given to applications that involve multiple Local Workforce Investment Boards.

Applications are due June 3, 2013. For more information on this funding opportunity and its requirements, please refer to the [Solicitation Notice – Regional Industry Clusters of Opportunity](#).

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