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California Finalizes Repeal of Zero-Emission Truck Mandate

As a result of CTA's lawsuit, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) agreed to repeal the High Priority and Drayage Fleet requirements of the Advance Clean Fleets (ACF) regulation.

The regulation has been formally approved by the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) with an effective date of September 10, 2026. CTA will be working on next steps with counsel to formally settle ligation.

Thank you to our members who supported CTA's legal efforts and helped make this major vicotry possible.

Background

The ACF regulation would have forced fleets to transition to zero-emission heavy duty trucks in an aggressive state-mandated timeline.

- **October 16, 2023**: CTA filed a federal lawsuit challenging CARB's ACF regulation.
- **December 27, 2023**: CTA secured an advisory letter from CARB that the agency would not enforce the High Priority and Drayage Fleet requirements unless and until the U.S. EPA approved the rule's waiver request before the Biden EPA.
- **April 25, 2025**: CTA successfully negotiated an agreement with CARB to repeal the High Priority and Drayage Fleet requirements.
- **September 10, 2026:** The repeal became effective following formal approval by OAL.