Discussion on recent changes to the ZEV Mandate

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On March 27, 2008, CARB revised the "Gold" requirement by adding flexibility to introduce Plug-in Hybrids and H2 ICE as "Silver+".

2012 – 2014MY ZEV Requirements

Alternative Path 12% Mandate "Gold" "Bronze" "Silver" **6% PZEV** ~6% AT-PZEV 25,000 FCEVs (30% at 0.2 for Industry HEVs or CNG credits each) or Prime Path 12% Mandate "Silver" "Gold" "Bronze" **6% PZEV** 3% AT-PZEV 3% ZEV FCEV or BEV (30% at 0.2 HEVs or CNG credits each)

Existing

Proposed



Preliminary estimate of Industry's California "Gold" requirement

2012 – 2014MY ZEV Requirement

		"Gold" (FCV or BEV)	"Silver+" PHEV
Existing	Alt. Path	25,000* FCVs	0
Proposed	Min. Gold (requires Silver+) or	5357 – 7500 FCVs or 12,500 BEVs	58,333*
	Max. Gold (No Silver+ req'd)	18,000 – 25,000 FCVs or 42,000 BEVs	0

* Does not include states that have adopted California standards

CARB directed Staff to revise the Low Emission Vehicle Program, Greenhouse Gas Program, and the ZEV Program for the 2015MY+.

- Low Emission Vehicle Program
 - PZEVs fully incorporated into LEV III
- Greenhouse Gas Program
 - HEVs fully incorporated into Pavely II
- ZEV Program
 - Concentrate on "Gold" (i.e. FCVs and BEVs) and "Silver+" (i.e. PHEV)
 - More aggressive targets than today (in 2015 – 2017MY, 3% Gold / 3% Silver+ or 6% Gold)
- Rulemaking expected in 2009

ZEV Revision Observations

CARB Actions

Continues to set technology forcing targets

- Continues to regulate specific technologies
- Electric and hydrogen vehicle technology pathways regulated to a timeline and volumes

 CARB recognizes need for hydrogen • infrastructure to be addressed in future rulemaking

Observation

- Adjustments may be needed if technology improvements or market acceptance does not meet expectations
- Customers choose vehicles based on cost, performance & convenience.
- Despite good progress on Batteries and Fuel Cells, technical and commercial challenges remain, with no clear winner or timely solution to compete with conventional powertrains
- Hydrogen infrastructure must be addressed – Energy, Government and other stakeholders must be involved

Infrastructure development opportunities will require focus as OEM vehicle level technology progresses







Comments / Summary

- CARB's goal for sustainable ZEV transportation is laudable
 OEMs are doing extensive work to make these technologies viable
- Industry recognizes that customer demand for green vehicles is undergoing unprecedented change
- Technological and commercial challenges for zero emission vehicles still exist
 - Must be monitored to make appropriate adjustments to the ZEV regulations, as necessary
- A collaborative approach that includes all the stakeholders is needed- similar to FreedomCAR and Fuel Partnership
- Automotive manufacturers cannot do this alone

Discussion