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**Environment Department to Hold Open Houses around New Mexico in January about  
Idle Limitation Rule for Heavy-Duty Commercial Diesel Trucks**  
*Meetings to be Held in Santa Fe, Las Cruces, Gallup and Santa Rosa*

(Santa Fe, NM) – The New Mexico Environment Department will host open houses in Santa Fe, Las Cruces, Gallup, and Santa Rosa this month to offer information about a proposed idle limitation rule for heavy-duty commercial diesel trucks for New Mexico. The meetings will include information about the regulation's role in reducing air pollution, including greenhouse gas emissions.

The effort to address idling through air quality regulation implements a portion of Governor Bill Richardson's Executive Order 2006-069 ([http://www.governor.state.nm.us/orders/2006/EO\\_2006\\_069.pdf](http://www.governor.state.nm.us/orders/2006/EO_2006_069.pdf)), New Mexico Climate Change Action. At the Open Houses, Environment Department staff will be available to discuss the development of the idle limitation rule and the related benefits to air quality, health, and climate change. The Environment Department is soliciting comments on the rule until March 1, 2008.

The events will be held as follows:

**Santa Fe: From 3 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 9** in the Conference Room 240 at the New Mexico Environment Department, Air Quality Bureau, 1301 Siler Road, Building B in Santa Fe.

**Las Cruces: From 3 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 16** in the Board of Trustees Room at the Mesilla Town Hall, 2231 Avenida de Mesilla in Mesilla, N.M.

**Gallup: From 3 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23** in the Octavia Fellin Public Library Meeting Room, 115 W. Hill Avenue in Gallup.

**Santa Rosa: From 3 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 30**, in the City Hall meeting room, 244 S. 4<sup>th</sup> St. in Santa Rosa.

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