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California Air Resource Board Approves TÜV SÜD America as a Verification Body

Peabody, Massachusetts. TÜV SÜD America Inc. announces that the [California Air Resource Board \(ARB\)](#) has approved the company as a Verification Body under California's Assembly Bill 32: Global Warming Solutions Act. The scope of the accreditation covers refineries and power entities.

The Assembly Bill 32 (AB 32) established the first comprehensive program of regulatory and market mechanisms to achieve quantifiable and cost-effective reductions of greenhouse gases (GHG). AB 32 also makes the ARB responsible for monitoring and reducing GHG emissions statewide.

TÜV SÜD America is one of 34 Verification Bodies approved by the ARB. Under this program, the company's Carbon Management group, a division of Industry Service, provides third-party verification services under California regulatory requirements.

For more information about Carbon Management services, visit www.TUVamerica.com.

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About the Air Resource Board

Established by California's Legislature in 1967, the Air Resource Board (ARB) is dedicated to attaining and maintaining healthy air quality, conducting research into the causes of and solutions to air pollution, and addressing the problems caused by motor vehicles in the state of California. Appointed by the Governor, the ARB's eleven-member governing board works with the public, the business sector, and local governments to protect the public's health, the economy, and the state's ecological resources through the most cost-effective reduction of air pollution. Headquartered in Sacramento, the ARB also operates a motor vehicle testing and analysis laboratory in El Monte.

About TÜV SÜD America Industry Service

TÜV SÜD America's Industry Service division offers a variety of global conformity assessment services that help ensure a product's acceptance and success in the global marketplace. Industry Service's full suite of services includes engineering, construction and repair services for the power and process industries, carbon management, greenhouse gas services, consulting, third-party inspection, testing & certification. The group is currently participating in the ANSI pilot program for ISO 14065 accreditation which specifies the principles and requirements for validation and verification of greenhouse gas (GHG) assertions. The scope of the pilot program includes The Climate Registry (TCR) and Climate Action Reserve (CAR) accreditation. The Industry Service division also offers validation of Voluntary Carbon Standard (VCS), Gold Standard (GS), and VER+ projects, verification and certification of VERs, and Kyoto Protocol project-based mechanisms. The Industry Service division also provides Notified Body services through its parent organization TÜV SÜD Group, a Notified Body for the PED and TPED, and other EU Directives.