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Industry groups, including NCBA, PLC and CCA, are supporting a bipartisan resolution authored by Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-AK) and Sen. Blanche Lincoln (D-AR) that would reverse a recent declaration by the Obama Administration that greenhouse gas emissions are an endangerment to public health and welfare.

The decision to finalize the Greenhouse Gas Endangerment Finding by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency would allow the federal government to regulate greenhouse gas emissions under the Clean Air Act. Congress adopted the Clean Air Act in 1970 to strictly regulate smog and other air pollution harmful to human health. The Clean Air Act is an inappropriate mechanism to regulate greenhouse gas emissions from agriculture or other businesses sources and with the lack Congressional climate change legislation, the Obama Administration is moving to adopt regulations for business based on the Endangerment Finding.

Similar legislation has been introduced in the House of Representatives sponsored by Representatives Ike Skelton (D-MO) and Joe Barton (R-TX). The Resolution is expected to be heard on the Senate floor next week.

Montana Accepting California Cattle After Release of Federal TB Order

CCA was pleased to get word this morning from Montana that the state is now taking native cattle from California as though California had a TB-free status. CCA been continuing to work on states since the Federal TB Order was released in April came out recommending that cattle from California be accepted into other states without testing. CCA is pleased to see states being accommodating regardless of the official state TB status listings by lifting the TB testing requirements of cattle from modified accredited advanced status states.

CCA will continue to provide updates as they are made available from individual states. For more information, contact Matt Byrne in the CCA office at (916) 444-0845 or by e-mail at matt@calcattlemen.org.

CCA Office Closed May 21 for Cattle-PAC Event

CCA staff will not be available in the CCA office tomorrow, May 21, as they will be attending the Cattle-PAC Statewide Challenge in Antioch. For those of you not yet entered in the team roping event on Saturday, May 22, at Roddy Ranch at 9 a.m., We hope to see you there supporting CCA's Political Action Committee and legislators at the State Capitol who work to keep ranchers in business. For more information, visit the CCA Web site, www.calcattlemen.org.

2010 CCA/CCW Midyear Meeting Registration Deadline June 2

The 2010 CCA/CCW Midyear Meeting will take place June 16-17, at the Lake Natoma Inn in Folsom. This is your opportunity as a member to give direction to your association. New this year, we have a condensed two-day meeting schedule to collaborate with the 2010 CBCIA Tour, June 18-20, following the Midyear Meeting.

Registration materials should have arrived in your mailbox. Registration forms are available on our Web site, www.calcattlemen.org, for you to print and mail in or online registration is also available on the CCA Web site.

Hotel reservations should have been made by May 17, but can still be made by calling the Lake Natoma Inn at (916) 351-1500 and by mentioning the California Cattlemen's Association you can receive the block rate of \$109/night. If you have not reserved your room, be sure to do so **ASAP!**

If you have any questions about Midyear, please contact Chaley Paulson in the CCA office at (916) 444-0845 or chaley@calcattlemen.org.

Attention YCC Members, CCA Scholarship Applications Available, Deadline is Monday!

Scholarship applications are now available on the CCA Web site, www.calcattlemen.org. Each year, CCA affiliates give nearly \$20,000 in scholarships to California's future beef producers.

Undergraduates, master's degree students or veterinary students attending or enrolled in a junior college, four-year college or university with current membership standing at CCA may apply. To be considered, students must have graduated from a California high school or be attending college in California and have at least a 2.75 GPA.

If you are interested in applying for a scholarship, applications are due **Monday, May 24**. For more information, contact Megan Huber in the CCA office at (916) 444-0845 or megan@calcattlemen.org.

Help Your Business and Your Industry by Joining CCA Today

Do you like what you see here? Are you interested in participating in these important efforts and receiving additional publications about California's beef cattle industry? If you're not yet a member, you can lend your support by joining the California Cattlemen's Association (CCA) today. CCA is the only membership organization in California dedicated solely to looking out for the interests of ranching families and California's cattle industry.

CCA staff and officers work every day to ensure that our members have a known voice in Sacramento and in Washington, D.C. CCA defends your private property rights; works towards preserving private and public rangeland; protects the health of California's cattle herd; and provides scholarships to help the next generation of ranchers remain in the industry.

Joining this critical effort is simple for cattle producers, landowners and supporters of the industry. Call Stevie in the CCA office at (916) 444-0845 or email requests for membership information to stevie@calcattlemen.org.

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