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## **COALITION FOR CLEAN AIR OPPOSES PROP. 23, THE TEXAS OIL COMPANIES' DIRTY ENERGY PROPOSITION**

**SACRAMENTO** – The Coalition for Clean Air announced today their opposition to Proposition 23, the Dirty Energy Proposition. Prop. 23 is being bankrolled by Texas oil companies Valero (Ticker: VLO) and Tesoro (Ticker: TSO) in an effort to repeal the state's leading clean energy and air pollution standards.

“The Coalition for Clean Air is opposed to Prop. 23 because we are committed to clean air for all of California, and this initiative will set us back,” said Nidia Bautista, policy director, Coalition for Clean Air. “Today 9 out of 10 Californians live in polluted areas, and air pollution can reduce your life expectancy by several years. Prop. 23, also known as the Texas oil companies’ Dirty Energy Proposition, will stomp the strides we have made in reducing pollution and improving the air we breathe and will also halt California’s progress towards creating new, innovative jobs in the emerging green technology sector.”

Valero and Tesoro were recently named the #12 and #32 polluters in the nation in the “Toxic 100 Air Polluters” report (<http://www.peri.umass.edu/toxic100>) recently issued by the University of Massachusetts Amherst Political Economy Research Institute (PERI).

The Coalition for Clean Air is committed to restoring clean, healthy air to all of California and strengthening the environmental movement by promoting broad-based community involvement, advocating responsible public policy and providing technical expertise.

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