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Clerk of the Board
California Air Resources Board
1001 I Street
Sacramento, California 95814

Re: Support for AB 118 AQIP Funding Plan for FY 2013-14

Dear Chairman Nichols and Board:

Plug In America drives change. We are working to accelerate the shift to plug-in vehicles powered by clean, affordable, domestic electricity to reduce our nation's dependence on petroleum and improve the global environment. As the organization representing the millions of potential future consumers of plug-in hybrids and fully electric vehicles, we see the need for a robust ZEV vehicle incentive program to remain in place to help drive consumer demand.

Plug In America **supports** the revised staff recommendation for the AB 118 Air Quality Improvement Program Funding Plan. Specifically, we support the staff recommendation regarding the Clean Vehicle Rebate Project (CVRP) and the Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project (HVIP) and appreciate their willingness to work with us throughout the process.

We remain very concerned about the insufficient funds currently available for both the CVRP and HVIP programs and will work with the CARB Board and staff to ensure that the funding commitments to these programs match our shared goals to accelerate market deployment of plug-in electric vehicles. Any reduction in the incentives for light-, medium- and heavy-duty vehicles would significantly reduce market demand for plug-in electric vehicles. We need to make sure we continue our commitment to this highly successful program.

We would appreciate the Board's support for the CARB staff proposal, including the current staff recommendation to retain the Executive Officer's ability to create a waiting list should he determine such a list is prudent.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jay Friedland", written in a cursive style.

Jay Friedland
Legislative Director

cc: Ms. Kathryn Lynch, Legislative Advocate
Mr. Daniel Davids, Plug In America Board Chairman
Plug In America Board and Staff