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Mary D. Nichols, Chair
California Air Resources Board
1011 I Street, P.O. Box 2415
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Subject: Comments Regarding Electrify America's California Zero Emission Vehicle Investment Plan

Dear Chair Nichols:

I write to express the City of Sacramento's strong support for Electrify America's Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Investment Plan, and believe the Investment Plan coupled with the Supplement meet the terms and goals of the 2.0-liter Consent Decree and the State's priorities to advance the ZEV market and provide clean mobility options for all Californians.

We particularly appreciate the increased emphasis in the Supplement on investment in disadvantaged communities, which is consistent with our priorities for Electrify America's investment in Sacramento. As mentioned in our April 5 letter to the Board, a disproportionate share of Sacramento's residents live in disadvantaged communities, with 36 percent living in the top 25 percent of disadvantaged census tracts statewide. Furthermore, we lag behind other major regions in ZEV adoption, with the lowest rate of adoption per capita. We also appreciate the additional information regarding the selection of Sacramento as a Green City, and agree with Electrify America's approach to consider market size, mobility characteristics, disadvantaged and low-income communities, and potential for impact. Electrify America's investment will build on the City's existing efforts to spur access to ZEVs and cultivate a more robust market in Sacramento.

We urge the Board's approval of the Plan, in particular the designation of Sacramento as a Green City and the significant investment in community charging. Sacramento has the capacity to fully utilize this investment and has been working with our regional partners, including the Sacramento Municipal Utility District, the Sacramento Area Council of Governments, the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District, Regional Transit, and the County of Sacramento, to ensure that we are prepared to support the successful and expeditious implementation of Electrify America's investments in the region. And we stand ready to collaborate with you and your staff on implementation moving forward.

In closing, we appreciate the thoughtful and deliberative process the Board has undertaken, providing opportunities for public and legislative input on the ZEV Investment Plan and working with Electrify America to ensure the Plan upholds the goals of the Consent Decree. We are excited about the possibility of being designated the first Green City, and have the capacity and experience to help deliver transformational ZEV investments for our region and state.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions or would like to discuss further, please do not hesitate to contact me or my staff, Ms. Jennifer Gress, at (916) 808-5440 or jgress@cityofsacramento.org.

Sincerely,



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