

## ERIC GARCETTI MAYOR

March 23, 2017

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

RE: Support For CARB Midterm Review Conclusions Of Advanced Clean Cars Regulation

Dear Chair Nichols and Honorable Members of the Board:

I write to applaud the California Air Resources Board's (CARB) efforts to improve air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions through increasingly robust clean car standards. Los Angeles has a long history of poor air quality, yet we have come a long way due in great part to the work of CARB. This progress must continue.

As we noted in our recently published 2<sup>nd</sup> annual report, my Sustainable City pLAn has helped advance electric vehicles across the City of L.A. in several ways:

- Requiring at least 50% of annual City fleet procurement be pure battery electric;
- Having 1,300 publicly available charging stations now installed throughout the city, beating our 2017 goal of 1,000;
- Ensuring our Los Angeles Department of Water and Power offers generous residential and commercial rebates for charging stations.
- Partnering with CARB to launch a new low-income EV carshare program in Los Angeles.

We are not alone in our commitment to clean vehicles. With 29 other mayors across the country, I led the Mayors National Climate Action Agenda in issuing an EV request for information. The RFI demonstrated to OEMs and manufacturers that our 30 cities have over 114,000 vehicles that could be electrified, representing \$10 billion in potential investment in EV sedans, trucks, and vehicles of many types.



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Thank you for your continued leadership and ensuring California remains at the forefront of environmental protection and innovation. I look forward to continuing to work together to find solutions to protect our residents from the worst impacts of climate change and air pollution.

Sincerely,

**ERIC GARCETTI** 

Mayor