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ZOE LOFGREN
19TH DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA

November 6, 2018

Mary D. Nichols
Chair
California Air Resources Board
1101 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Chairwoman Nichols,

I am writing to express my strong support for Electrify America's \$200 million Cycle 2 California Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Investment Plan as the California Air Resources Board (CARB) begins its review of the proposal next week.

As you know, the Investment Plan – an investment of \$800 million over 10 years to support the increased adoption of ZEV technology in California – is part of a larger settlement reached with Volkswagen Group of America over its use of illegal defeat devices in certain 2.0-liter and 3.0-liter diesel vehicles.

Cycle 2 of 4 of the Investment Plan, to be implemented between July 1, 2019, and December 31, 2021, will: build on Cycle 1 investments to add more DC fast charging (DCFC) stations by expanding into three additional metro areas, covering a total of nine metro areas that are expected to represent 89 percent of battery electric vehicles in operation in California through 2022¹; invest in charging capabilities in the home as well as for ZEV bus, fleet and ride hailing services; and fund educational activities to increase awareness and promote the use of ZEVs.

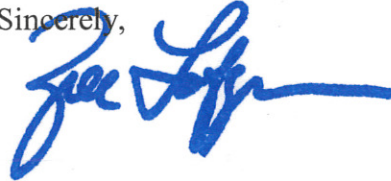
While the nine metro areas were selected to target regions with the greatest need for DCFC stations, Cycle 2 investments will also be directed towards building ZEV infrastructure around healthcare facilities and educational institutions in rural communities such as the Central, Coachella, and Imperial Valleys.

Additionally, Electrify America will work to ensure that 35 percent of Cycle 2 investments in California are in low-income or disadvantaged communities, as defined by the State of California. This commitment will help reduce barriers to ZEV adoption in these communities and promote increased employment of clean, shared mobility options.

¹ Market Data: EV Geographic Forecasts, Battery and Plug-In Hybrid EV Sales and Populations in North America
<https://www.navigantresearch.com/reports/market-data-ev-geographic-forecasts>

A robust ZEV market is essential to achieving California's climate change goals and greenhouse gas reduction targets. Electrify America's Investment Plan will increase ZEV access, expand ZEV use, and prepare the state for future ZEV adoption. I urge CARB's timely review and approval of this plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Zoe Lofgren", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

ZOE LOFGREN
Member of Congress