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Chair Mary Nichols and Members of the Board
California Air Resources Board
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Electrify America Cycle 2 ZEV Investment Plan – SUPPORT


Dear Chair Nicols and Members of the Board:

I am writing in strong support of Electrify America's Cycle 2 ZEV Investment Plan. The State of California has enacted robust climate change and air quality policies over the years and leads the United States in particular in the implementation of policies to incentivize the adoption of ZEVs. In order to make the substantial reductions in emissions of greenhouse gases and harmful particular matter required to meet climate and clean air goals, however, the public sector needs the private sector to make substantial investments in transformative technologies and infrastructure.

Electrify America has committed to making a \$800 million investment in the California economy over the 10 years of its ZEV Investment Commitment, in particular by building an EV station charging network that includes all major metropolitan areas, a significant number of rural and suburban areas and all interstate highways. I am very pleased to see Electrify America add the San Bernardino-Riverside-Ontario area as a new "metro area" in Cycle 2, along with a number of others. By adding San Bernardino-Riverside-Ontario, Electrify America will be able to build 2-3 DC fast-charging stations in our communities that will prove to be a catalyst for ZEV adoption for my constituents in San Bernardino County, many of whom lack access to EV charging facilities. It is important the highlight that this investment is only the beginning. Though the Cycle 2 ZEV Investment Plan represents an important step forward, in order to ensure charging infrastructure benefits all communities we must continue to take steps to deploy this infrastructure equitably ensuring communities across the state benefit. I look forward to working to promote further investment moving forward as well.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge CARB board members to approve Electrify America's Cycle 2 ZEV Investment Plan when it comes before you at the November 15-16 board meeting.

Sincerely,



Eloise Gomez Reyes
Assemblymember, 47th District

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