



April 10, 2017

California Air Resources Board
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95815

Re: Volkswagen's 30-month ZEV Investment Plan

Dear California Air Resources Board Members and Staff,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on Volkswagen's (VW) first 30-month ZEV Investment Plan, as part of the consent decree Appendix C: Volkswagen's Zero Emission Vehicle Investment Commitment. Proterra strongly supports the investment in ZEV vehicle and infrastructure deployment, which will help reduce toxic particulate matter and greenhouse gas emissions.

Proterra designs and manufactures the world's most fuel-efficient battery electric bus and features on-route, fast-charge technology that offers functionally unlimited range, as well as an extended range version that enables transit agencies to travel up to 350 miles on a single charge. Proterra's CATALYST™ bus achieves 22+ MPGe performance, 500%+ better than diesel and CNG buses, eliminating toxic diesel particulate matter and reducing carbon emissions by 70% or more compared to CNG or diesel buses. Proterra recently moved our Corporate Headquarters to Burlingame, California from the East Coast and expanded manufacturing to the City of Industry, California —allowing future zero-emission buses deployed in California to be designed and manufactured by Californians and supported by California supply chains.

Proterra strongly supports the inclusion and investment in a Green City initiative to offer a set of ZEV initiatives to help increase access to zero-emission vehicle transportation. To further support zero-emission vehicle access for all community residents within the Green City, Proterra respectfully requests including ZEV public transit buses and infrastructure. Zero-emission public transit provides an opportunity for all commuters to ride an electric vehicle and realize the health and other associated benefits of electrification, including eliminating toxic diesel emissions. Zero-emission public transit is needed for a truly transformative Green City initiative to improve ZEV public awareness and mobility.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on Volkswagen's (VW) first 30-month ZEV Investment Plan. We look forward to continuing to work together to implement the goals and initiatives of the ZEV Investment Commitment.

Sincerely,

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