



OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

809 Center Street, Room 10, Santa Cruz, CA 95060 • (831) 420-5010 • Fax: (831) 420-5011 • www.cityofsantacruz.com

December 1, 2018

Mr. Mark Williams
California Air Resources Board
P.O. Box 2815
Sacramento, CA 95812

RE: Support for Electrify America's Cycle 2 Zero Emission Vehicle Investment Plan

Dear Mr. Williams:

I am writing to express support for Electrify America's Cycle 2 Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Investment Plan to be heard at the California Air Resources Board's (Board) December 13–14, 2018 meeting. The Santa Cruz metro area investment recommendation resulted from two proposals submitted by the City of Santa Cruz (City) on behalf of a team of local partners for Cycles 1 and 2, ongoing dialogue between the City and Electrify America, and the fact that there is strong ZEV adoption in this metro area.

With continued ZEV growth projected by the State, this investment will substantially increase ZEV charging infrastructure within the Santa Cruz metro area, making public and private ZEV charging options more plentiful to handle the explosion of ZEV adoption and improving the ZEV-use experience. Moreover, the proposed investment supports the City's climate action goal that between 2008 and 2020, 20 percent of cars will switch to low-carbon fuels; currently, about 8.5 percent of Santa Cruz-registered cars are low-carbon vehicles. Combined with the State and Monterey Bay Air Resources District's incentives for new and used ZEV purchases and the fact that the Monterey Bay region's electricity is now carbon free, the Electrify America investment has the potential to drastically increase progress toward the State goal of 50 million ZEVs in California by 2030 and reduce local and statewide greenhouse gas emissions.

The City strongly encourages the Board to approve the investment plan.

Sincerely,

Martín Bernal
City Manager