



April 10, 2017

Mary D. Nichols, Chair  
California Air Resources Board  
1001 I Street, P.O. Box 2815  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support for Volkswagen Settlement California ZEV Investment Plan

Dear Chair Nichols,

We are writing to express our support of the Volkswagen's Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Investment Plan, including the designation of Sacramento as the first Green City with a proposed investment of \$44 million by June 2018. We believe that the City of Sacramento is a strong, capable partner that is ready to deliver on this important opportunity. The Placer County Air Pollution Control District has a history of working within the region to deliver ambitious projects and programs that benefit the region, including the establishment of ZEV fast charging along the Interstate 80 corridor to the Nevada State line, to complement the significant investment already occurring in the Sacramento region. This important effort will ensure that ZEV drivers in the Sacramento region now have access to the many amazing destinations offered in the Tahoe/Truckee region and beyond.

The staff of the Placer County Air Pollution Control District is ready to support with delivering transformational outcomes for the Sacramento region. We believe that Volkswagen's investment in Sacramento can provide a broad benefit that spurs innovation across the region. We support proposed investments in EV car sharing programs, ZEV delivery and taxi fleets, community charging infrastructure, and public education activities. These investments will serve as a critical foundation for complementary investments and programs in neighboring areas in Placer County, such as Roseville, Rocklin and Lincoln. Growth of these technologies into these areas is critical to the long-term success of the region's and the State's climate goals.

Sacramento is one of the most diverse communities in the nation, with significant potential to bring new ideas and service models to scale. Sacramento provides an ideal test market that is large enough to test new concepts, but small enough to implement visible change. Strong public-private partnerships provide a unique opportunity for the development of the ZEV industry, including new jobs-training programs and an emerging market for autonomous vehicle deployments. Sacramento's diverse neighborhoods also stand to benefit from new programs for clean and affordable transportation, including low-cost ZEV vehicles, public charging infrastructure, and new car share programs.

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Sacramento has the potential to deliver a transformational program that delivers real benefits to our communities. We thank you for your consideration of Sacramento for this exciting program.

Sincerely,



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cc: The Honorable Edmund G. Brown Jr., Governor  
The Honorable Kevin de León, State Senate President Pro Tempore  
The Honorable Anthony Rendon, Assembly Speaker  
The Honorable Doris Matsui, Congresswoman  
The Honorable Richard Pan, State Senator  
The Honorable Kevin McCarty, Assemblyman  
The Honorable Jim Cooper, Assemblyman  
The Honorable Ted Gaines, State Senator  
The Honorable Jim Nielsen, State Senator  
The Honorable Brian Dahle, Assemblyman  
The Honorable Kevin Kiley, Assemblyman  
The Honorable Phil Serna, Sacramento Board of Supervisors  
The Honorable Darrell Steinberg, Mayor of the City of Sacramento  
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