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Support for strong tire efficiency standards- NGO letter

Please see attached letter of support for strong tire efficiency standards from 45 California health, consumer, and environmental groups.

Additional submitted attachment is included below.



June 16th, 2026

RE: Docket No. 26-TIRE-01: Replacement Tire Efficiency Program

Dear Commission Staff:

We, the undersigned organizations, would like to express our strong support for the California Energy Commission’s (CEC) proposed replacement tire efficiency standards. These efficiency

standards are a much-needed solution to the affordability crisis, saving drivers billions of dollars while avoiding needless climate emissions and air pollution.

The proposed tire efficiency standards represent a big win for consumers. CEC staff estimate the standards would save California drivers an average of \$179 to \$246 in fuel costs over the lifetime of a tire set. In 2035, annual statewide fuel savings would reach nearly \$1 billion.

The proposed standards would also provide significant environmental and public health benefits. In 2035, the proposed efficiency standards would reduce annual greenhouse gas emissions by 2 million metric tons—equivalent to removing 400,000 gasoline vehicles from California roads. Also by 2035, California would annually reduce 430 tons of smog forming NOx emissions and 20 tons of lung damaging PM2.5 emissions.

The proposed standards reflect where leading manufacturers are already headed. The world's largest tire manufacturers—including Goodyear, Michelin, Bridgestone, and Continental—have already committed to reducing rolling resistance as a core business and decarbonization strategy. California's standards would help ensure that the full range of tire choices available, including low-cost brands and models which many consumers choose, incorporate these technological improvements.

CEC's prompt action is more important than ever, as the federal government attempts to erase vehicle fuel economy standards that save California drivers thousands of dollars per vehicle. A replacement tire efficiency standard will help protect drivers from rising costs, while also protecting vulnerable Californians from harmful air pollution.

We ask that CEC moves quickly to finalize the proposed standards to deliver its benefits for all Californians.

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