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Commissioners re: Docket 24-OIR-03,

I am writing as a California resident and a licensed HVAC contractor to express my strong opposition to any legislation that would require the reporting of HVACR and water heating equipment purchases.

Mandatory reporting of these purchases places an unnecessary administrative burden on contractors, distributors, and consumers while raising significant privacy concerns. Law-abiding contractors already comply with extensive state licensing requirements, building permits, inspections, energy codes, refrigerant regulations, and tax reporting. Adding another reporting mandate would increase costs, create additional paperwork, and ultimately drive up prices for California homeowners and businesses.

Small HVAC businesses are already facing rising equipment costs, new refrigerant transition requirements, labor shortages, and increasing regulatory compliance expenses. This proposed reporting requirement would further strain small businesses without providing meaningful benefits to consumers or improving public safety.

I respectfully ask you to oppose any legislation that mandates the reporting of HVACR and water heating equipment purchases. Instead, I encourage the Legislature to focus on policies that reduce unnecessary regulations, support small businesses, improve energy efficiency through incentives, and make heating and cooling systems more affordable for Californians.

Thank you for your time and for considering the concerns of California contractors, homeowners, and small businesses. I appreciate your service and respectfully request that you vote NO on any bill requiring mandatory reporting of HVACR and water heating purchases.

Sincerely, Oguz Kaya