



**Support for CEC Energy Efficiency Standards for New TVs Sold in California**

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We the undersigned environmental and clean energy advocates strongly support adoption of the proposed energy efficiency standards by the California Energy Commission (CEC). TVs are one of the largest unregulated appliances in the home and represent approximately 8% of overall residential electricity use. These standards will ensure every TV sold in the future in California is an efficient one. The benefits to the California economy and environment are significant and include:

- **Electric bill savings of almost \$1 billion/yr**
- **Power savings of 500 MW, the equivalent of a medium sized power plant**
- **Preventing more than 2 million tons of CO2/yr, the main heat trapping global warming pollutant**

We also want to point out that there are nearly 300 models on the market today that meet the CEC's Tier 2 standard, three plus years before the 2013 effective date. These efficient models come in a wide range of sizes and are made by all the leading companies including Samsung, Vizio, Sharp and Sony, and lower cost house brands sold at Best Buy and other retailers.

As this proceeding is now almost two years old and the CEC has held three public workshops, we urge the CEC to bring the proposed standards for a vote to the full Commission without any further delay.

Sincerely,

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