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Re: Docket No 10-ALT-1  
1516 Ninth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814-5514

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Subject: 10-ALT-1-2011-2012 Investment Plan – Northern California

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments on funding priorities for the 2011-2012 Investment Plan for the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicles Technology Program.

Chabin Concepts has been involved at both the State and local levels in economic and community development for the past 32 years. As President, I also have had the privilege to be appointed to the California Workforce Investment Board, Governor's Green Collar Jobs Council, Health Workforce Council Chair and TeamCalifornia.

We are working very closely with organizations and communities in the North State on their Sector Strategies for Alternative and Renewable Fuel, Vehicles and Transportation. Through the Sector Strategy and business engagement there is the opportunity for the North State to create jobs, stimulates the economy and reduces greenhouse gas emissions in the transportation arena focused on green our corridors.

The North State has been able to leverage the AB118 investments to develop a strategy and begin to do critical training in this arena. We encourage the Commission's support in a pilot project to accelerate deployment of propane as an auto gas – propane as an auto gas and truck vehicle conversion is a cost effective method for local jurisdiction and fleet managers to accelerate their transition to alternative fuels.

As a member of the Green Collar Jobs Council, we have been supporting renewable energy pilot projects and with the success of those projects are now looking at other "green" sectors where projects such as this can be implemented achieving multiple results.

Key elements of the investment will help make such a project succeed:

- Continuing sector strategy development throughout a region,
- Deploying workforce training throughout a region, ARFVTP,
- Incentives for converting trucks, and
- Infrastructure to alleviate "range fear"

This project has great potential for providing cost effective alternative fuel for trucks and fleets as well as creating “alternative fuel center” which could host “all” alternative fuels along major corridors.

Appreciate your hard work in creating and accelerating policy and opportunity for clean transportation in a unique part of the State.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Audrey E. Taylor". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Audrey Taylor  
President & CEO