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May 11, 2018

Dr. Robert Weisenmiller, Chair  
California Energy Commission  
1516 Ninth Street, MS - 29  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Decarbonizing Buildings**

Dear Chair Weisenmiller:

On behalf of **Valley Vista Services, Inc.**, I would like to express our opposition to the complete electrification of buildings, whether commercial or residential.

Valley Vista Services is a family owned and operated waste management and environmental services company. Founded in 1957 we have served the San Gabriel Valley for over 60 years and employ over 300 personnel.

We feel very strongly that to have to rely on only one type of energy for all of our needs would be detrimental to the future of energy pricing and availability. It would also heavily impact our employee family that must make every earned dollar count in order to take care of their loved ones. I have seen on many occasions where consumer, including myself, will pay more for gas fired appliances in order to take advantage of the reliability and utility costs savings which add up very quickly.

Running a business on electricity alone would dramatically increase operating costs. Not only would energy bills increase, but businesses would also need to make substantial capital outlays for new equipment and the corresponding electric upgrades. Many businesses already had to replace their equipment and appliances recently to comply with new local air quality regulations. Now this legislation would require them to do so, yet again, at significant expense. When you're running a business on narrow margins, you simply can't afford to repeatedly swap out equipment. Requiring businesses to do so—and saddling them with higher energy bills—will

undermine their viability, impacting jobs, revenue, and tax receipts. Businesses in California can scarcely afford another costly mandate.

For these reasons, we ask for your careful consideration while crafting these regulations.

Sincerely,

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CC: Commissioners, California Energy Commission