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## **ChargePoint School Bus Workshop Comments**

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California Energy Commission  
Docket #18-TRAN-01  
Solicitation to Establish Bulk Purchase Pricing for Electric School Buses Concept  
Workshop  
Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program

Public Comments  
Submitted by  
ChargePoint, Inc.  
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Dear California Energy Commissioners and Staff,

ChargePoint appreciates the opportunity to provide written comments on the solicitation to establish bulk purchase pricing for electric school buses concept workshop. We strongly support the \$78.7M in funding for the replacement of the oldest school buses in California, and the availability of up to \$13M in funding for electric vehicle charging infrastructure through the ARFVTP.

ChargePoint is the leading electric vehicle (EV) charging network in the world, with charging solutions in every category EV drivers charge, at home, work, around town and on the road. With more than 52,000 independently owned public and semi-public charging spots and thousands of customers (businesses, cities, agencies and service providers), ChargePoint is the only charging technology company on the market that designs, develops and manufactures hardware and software solutions across every use case. Leading EV hardware makers and other partners rely on the ChargePoint network to make charging station details available in mobile apps, online and in navigation systems for popular EVs. ChargePoint drivers have completed more than 40 million charging sessions, saving nearly 41 million gallons of gasoline and driving more than 975 million gas-free miles. For more information, visit [www.chargepoint.com](http://www.chargepoint.com)

Providing up to \$60,000 per awarded bus for EV charging infrastructure is a meaningful amount that could cover equipment, networking costs, maintenance agreements, and installation costs including any electrical infrastructure improvements needed at the site. The notice issued on July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 solicited input from school bus manufacturers, as well as public school districts and COE on the development of a solicitation for school bus manufacturers, but did not specifically include EV infrastructure manufacturers or vendors. We respectfully request that the Energy Commission engage not only the bus manufacturers, but also the EV charging manufacturers and



vendors in a focused discussion on EV infrastructure to help ensure the successful deployment and operation of zero-emission school buses.

ChargePoint is available as a resource to provide information and lessons learned on deploying charging infrastructure, and looks forward to this opportunity.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Schott".

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