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March 12, 2020

Mr. Drew Bohan
Executive Director
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814-5514

RE: Filing of local amendment of the California Building Standards Code City of Richmond Ordinance No. 06-20 N.S.

Dear Mr. Bohan,

Per the request of Commission Staff, the City of Richmond would like to express to you our firm commitment to enforce the 2019 Title 24, Part 6 Building Energy Efficiency Standards of the California Building Code as part of the implementation of our Green Building Requirements. As the Chief Building Official, I will work with my staff to provide training on enforcement of the energy standards. This includes working closely with regional organizations to complete focused trainings on updated energy standards and local codes.

On February 18 and March 3, 2020, Richmond City Council had a first and second reading respectively of an Ordinance adopting local amendments to the 2019 Energy Code. The City Council adopted the ordinance in unanimous vote on March 3, 2020.

Additionally, the Council found that, under the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) and 15308 of the CEQA Guidelines, there is no possibility that the implementation of the ordinance will have a significant negative impact on the environment and is thus exempt from the requirements of CEQA.

The City of Richmond's energy code amendments will ensure that residential and non-residential buildings in the city will consume no more energy than permitted by Title 24, Part 6. I look forward to your acknowledgement of this application. Should you have any questions, please contact me, Chris Castanchoa, at the email or number below. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Chris Castanchoa".

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