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**Re. Docket number: 17-EVI-01**

Dear Commissioners:

I write this letter to express strong support for requiring workforce training for the installation and maintenance of electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE) systems or “charging stations” that are installed under California Energy Commission (CEC) programs.

In my many roles – as San Diego County Supervisor, Chair of the Metropolitan Transit System (MTS), and the Governor’s appointee to the California Air Resources Board – I support the transition to electric vehicles and the prioritization of equitable workforce training. The Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Training Program (EVITP) training and certification is a common requirement for many San Diego County programs.

At San Diego County, our Electric Vehicle Roadmap requires the use of EVITP-trained installers for all County-funded EVSE. At MTS, all EVSE including those for the transit district’s electric buses, all require the use of EVITP-trained installers. We collaborate on electric vehicle initiatives with our investor owned utility, SDG&E, which uses EVITP-trained installers.

Our regional partners have implemented these requirements because the safe and reliable installation of EVSE systems necessitates specialized knowledge and training. Installation of EVSE systems requires adhering to an extensive list of standards, electrical codes, and workmanship requirements. Improperly installed EVSE systems and infrastructure can result in fire, explosions, electric shock, severe damage to chargers and cars, and other hazardous situations.



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A CEC EVITP requirement will ensure that all installers of CEC subsidized EVSE projects will have the advanced training necessary to ensure safe and proper installation.

I urge the Commission to require EVITP for its EVSE incentive programs without delay. EVITP is a well-established, well-vetted program that has already been thoroughly evaluated by the California Public Utilities Commission, San Diego County, MTS and numerous other agencies.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nathan Fletcher".

Nathan Fletcher  
Supervisor, San Diego County Fourth District  
Chair, Metropolitan Transit System  
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