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Mr. Drew Bohan  
Executive Director  
California Energy Commission  
1516 Ninth Street  
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RE: County of Santa Clara Adoption of Building Electrification Reach Codes

Dear Mr. Bohan,

Per the request of Commission Staff, the County of Santa Clara 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 Development Services Manager/Building Official, I will work with my staff to provide training on the enforcement of the amended energy standards and the new requirements for developers to comply with the adopted County Building Electrification Reach Code ordinance. This includes working closely with regional organizations to complete focused trainings on updated energy standards and local codes.

The County of Santa Clara at the Board of Supervisors regular meeting held on December 7, 2021 adopted Building Electrification Reach Codes. These amendments to the Building Energy Efficiency standards (2019 Title 24, Parts 6 and 11) require all-electric construction for new single and two-family dwellings, new multi-family dwelling unit buildings and new non-residential buildings. The ordinance also encourages the adoption of electric vehicles by increasing the amount of electric vehicle infrastructure in new residential and new non-residential construction.

Additionally, the Board 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 County of Santa Clara's Building Electrification standards will ensure that residential and non-residential buildings in the County will consume no more energy than permitted by Title 24, Part 6.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael Alvarez".

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