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Mr. Drew Bohan
Executive Director
California Energy Commission
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RE: City of Glendale Green Building Standards and the Building Energy Efficiency Standards

Dear Mr. Bohan,

Per the request of Commission Staff, the City of Glendale would like to express to you our firm commitment to enforce the 2022 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 and the new requirements for developers to comply with the Green Building Standards.

The City of Glendale considered three new reach codes, to be adopted through local amendments to the 2022 California Building and Energy Code. These reach codes go beyond the State's minimum requirements for buildings required by California Building and Energy Code to emphasize even more significant energy savings and GHG reductions. The reach codes focus on:

1. Electrifying new construction;
2. Expanding local solar generation; and
3. Increasing EV charging capacity.

At the September 22, 2020, City Council meeting, staff presented a report asking for direction on requiring commercial development in Glendale to provide rooftop solar photovoltaic systems. In the report, staff concluded in part; *"Should City Council decide to pursue adoption of a Reach Code requirement for commercial photovoltaic, further study would need to be conducted toward that aim. In addition to a Glendale-specific cost-effectiveness study for commercial photovoltaics, City Council may desire to include other provisions within the Reach Code, which would require further study."*

City Council directed staff to explore the feasibility of adopting a commercial PV requirement. In addition, City Council asked that any reach code study include information on building electrification and EV charging.