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*June 14, 2024*

California Energy Commission  
Docket Unit, MS-4  
Docket No. 24-ALT-01  
715 P Street  
Sacramento, California 95814

**Re: 24-ALT-01 and Advisory Committee Meeting / CEC ZEV Workforce Training Workshop**

On behalf of IBEW 1245 and our 20,171 union electricians and power professionals, I am writing to highlight the importance of recognizing the electrical hazards associated with charging station or EVSE O&M work. This work requires specialized electrical knowledge, safety skills, and experience that only electricians possess.

Tasks such as power shut off, device isolation, and opening the enclosure of any EVSE involve potential hazards, including arc flash, electrical shock, and burn injuries. These hazards require proper training and personal protective equipment, which only electricians are equipped to handle. An untrained individual would be unaware of these hazards and could be exposed to serious injury.

There are also at least 30,000 electrical shock incidents per year. Approximately 5% of all burn unit admissions in the United States occur because of electrical injuries.

We strongly recommend that the CEC acknowledges the critical role of electricians in performing EVSE O&M work and ensures that only qualified electricians are engaged in these tasks to maintain the highest level of safety for workers and the public.

Additionally, it should be recognized that the organized electrical contracting industry apprenticeship programs have been a model for building high-road pathways to successful, rewarding careers for more than 100 years. Our organized electrical contracting industry utilizes pre-apprenticeship programs that provide disadvantaged community members the ability to enter an apprenticeship program. This is a model that works, provides high-road jobs, living wages, and excellent benefits.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bob Dean".

Bob Dean, Business Manager  
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