

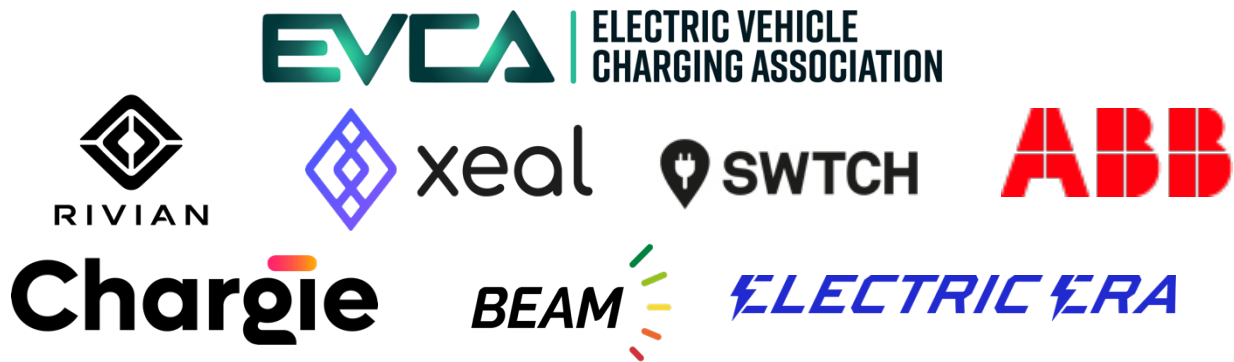
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California Energy Commission
Docket Unit, MS-4
Docket No. 24-ALT-01
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Sacramento, California 95814

RE: Docket No. 24-ALT-01 – Public Meeting of the Advisory Committee for the Clean Transportation Program Investment Plan

Dear California Energy Commissioners and Staff,

The Electric Vehicle Charging Association (EVCA) appreciates the opportunity to submit comments in response to the California Energy Commission's (CEC) June 7 Public Meeting of the Advisory Committee on proposed Clean Transportation Program (CTP) investment plan.

EVCA is a not-for-profit trade organization of 24 leading EV charging industry member companies and a zero-emission autonomous fleet operator. The association was established in 2015 to comprehensively represent the entire EV charging value chain and provide a collective industry voice for decision-makers in California.

EVCA was proud to support the reauthorization of the CTP in 2023 to ensure that there is a reliable and consistently available source of funding for ZEV infrastructure through 2035. While we understand that the budget outlook in California is currently challenging, we encourage the CEC to take advantage of the CTP's consistent funding to communicate clear, durable cycles for future funding opportunities in order to support business planning that can achieve the state's EV adoption goals. We also urge the CEC to ensure equitable support for light-duty EV charging and medium-/heavy-duty EV charging.

As noted in the draft 2024-2025 Investment Plan Update, CTP block grants have served as a cornerstone for supporting the streamlined and equitable deployment of EV charging infrastructure across the state. EV charging providers make business decisions based on

the public information that the CEC provides about its block grant opportunities. To the extent possible, a simple, predictable, and durable cycle of future solicitations for the CEC's EV charging blocks grant would support more efficient capital planning and submission of high-quality projects that meet CEC's specifications as well as state infrastructure needs. Moreover, transparent scheduling creates a more stable business environment for California's growing clean energy economy. This stability is increasingly important considering California's current Low Carbon Fuel Standard credit market, upward pressure on electricity rates, and emerging deployment opportunities in other regions. Even with varying levels of funding, a standardized application window approach could provide more certainty for applicants in a manner that supports California's nation-leading EV charging deployment goals.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide the above comments on the CEC's 2024-2035 Investment Plan Update.

Sincerely,

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