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Additional submitted attachment is included below.

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Mr. Strait and CEC Public Advisor:

I am not available to personally attend the meeting tomorrow and would like to make the following public comment in reference to Item #5 for the CEC Business meeting on April 13th, 2016.

Honorable Commissioners:

My name is Tom James and I'm a long time lighting efficiency pioneer here in California. Almost thirty years ago, I helped create one of the very first compact fluorescent lighting fixture manufacturers in the country. Over the years I've had the great privilege of working with utilities, lighting retrofit companies, esco's, contractors, distributors and end users around the country to help them with their lighting efficiency programs and projects. Historically, I have been supportive of lighting controls and was one of the very first to be certified as a CALCTP - Acceptance Test Technician in 2014. Over the last few years, I've been very active in the wireless controls field, and have deployed numerous demonstration projects for utilities (SCE Office of the Future program) and municipalities (NYC IDEA program) throughout the US.

Given that much higher efficacy SSL lighting is now the norm in terms of our retrofit and renovation projects, I firmly believe that our lighting control systems need to be simpler to deploy and much more cost effective – if they are ever to make compelling economic sense for the commercial marketplace. Moreover, I see no good reason to require ATT's to verify existing fixture wattages, as that basic function has been easily handled by the lighting contractors and utility companies who have built the lighting retrofit industry that exists today.

I strongly support the CEC staff recommendation to approve item #5 without any amendments which I trust will provide an additional – and more-cost effective – compliance option for lighting alteration projects in the 2013 Building Energy Efficiency Standards.

Thank you for your consideration ... and your good work.

Tom James
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