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May 17, 2016

Commissioner Andrew McAllister California Energy Commission 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 Regarding: Docket No. 14-AAER-2, Computers, Monitors and Signage Displays Efficiency Standards

Dear Commissioner McAllister,

The University of California would like to thank you for this opportunity to provide comments on this rulemaking on new energy efficiency standards for computers and monitors.

As a large purchaser of computers and monitors to support our mission in California, we stand to benefit in many ways from widespread availability of energy-efficient models. Not only will this help reduce our operational costs and energy use, but also further decrease our associated greenhouse gas emissions and continue to move UC forward toward our goal of carbon neutrality by 2025.

Increasing the energy efficiency of computers is also aligned with a number of research efforts across the UC system. The California Plug Load Research Center (CalPlug) at the California Institute for Telecommunications and Information Technology, a joint UC Irvine-UC San Diego institute, seeks to improve energy efficiency in the use and design of appliances and consumer electronic devices. In addition, the Center for Energy Efficient Electronics Science (E3S) is a National Science Foundation Science and Technology Center led by UC Berkeley that seeks to radically reduce energy consumption in electronic devices.

We commend the Commission for pursuing these computer and monitor energy efficiency standards, and we encourage the Commission to finalize and implement the standards as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

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