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September 21, 2018

Mr. Drew Bohan  
Executive Director  
California Energy Commission  
1516 Ninth Street  
Sacramento, Ca 95814-5514

**Re: Local Energy Ordinance #1507 and the Building Energy Efficiency Standards**

Dear Mr. Bohan,

Re: Application for Locally Adopted Energy Standards by the City of Arcata in Accordance with the 2016 California Energy Code, Title 24, Part 6 of the California Code of Regulations.

At its regular meeting on September, 5, 2108, the City Council conducted a public hearing and approved the enclosed Energy Efficiency Local Ordinance, #1507 during the second reading that was held on September 18, 2018. At its meeting, City Council made the determination that mandating the enclosed ordinance is cost effective based on a cost effectiveness study prepared by the Statewide Codes and Standards team.

Enclosed with this application are the following:

1. Signed Energy Efficiency Local Ordinance 1507 and staff report including requirements for local energy standards beyond the baseline energy code. The attachments include statements and analyses that conclude the proposed standards are cost effective and will not require buildings to consume more energy than permitted by the current California Energy Code.
2. Cost effectiveness study with supporting analysis showing how the City determined the energy savings and that the proposed standards are cost effective.

Per the request of Commission Staff, the City of Arcata would like to express to you our firm commitment to enforce the 2016 Title 24, Part 6 Building Energy Efficiency Standards of the California Building Code as part of the implementation of our local energy ordinance. As the Chief Building Official, I will work with my staff to provide training on enforcement of the energy standards and the ordinance requirement to exceed the state standards for new single family homes as contained in Ordinance No. 1507. The City's Local Energy Ordinance will ensure that residential and non-residential buildings in the City will consume no more energy than permitted by Title 24, Part 6.

Commission Staff has requested the City of Arcata summarize our California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) procedure and findings. The CEC has adopted a Negative Declaration for the 2016 Building Energy Efficiency Standards as a whole. The energy local ordinance is more stringent and more protective of the environment than the state requirements. The City Council approved a resolution on September 5, 2018, determining that the proposed ordinance is intended to preserve and enhance the environment of the City of Arcata and is not subject to the CEQA pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines, because there is no possibility that the ordinance may have a significant negative impact on the environment. In addition, it was determined that the ordinance is exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to Section 15308 of the CEQA Guidelines, which exempts actions taken by regulatory agencies for the enhancement and protection of the environment. The City of Arcata is filing a notice of exemption with the Humboldt County Clerk's office.

Please approve the enclosed ordinance pursuant to Public Resources Code Subsection 25402.1(h)(2).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Andre". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mark" being more prominent than the last name "Andre".

Mark Andre  
Environmental Services Director  
City of Arcata