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Dear California Energy Commission,

Removing the gas infrastructure means that the electrical grid has to be much more reliable than present. This will require undergrounding the power lines in urban areas. This exists in Europe where there are seldom unsightly power lines visible. It costs more and nobody wants to pay for it. The commission needs to take this into account as a cost of the transition.

Dear Commissioner:

California has already pledged to generate all of its electricity through clean renewable energy by 2045. A quarter of California's greenhouse gas emissions are from homes and buildings, the majority of which come from onsite combustion of methane gas for heating. To meet its climate goals, the state must phase out the use of gas in our homes and buildings entirely.

California cannot afford to slow down its pace in transitioning from dirty methane gas to clean electricity in homes and buildings. Clean alternatives, such as solar and wind, are ready and are California's best hope for avoiding more devastating climate impacts.

I strongly encourage the Energy Commission to stay on track with California's climate targets and work towards phasing out gas entirely and rapidly.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

John Kerr

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