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California Energy Commission
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Re: Comments on Commissioner Workshop on Building Decarbonization Assessment, Docket #19-DECARB-01

Dear Commissioners:

BSH Home Appliances Corporation (“BSH”) respectfully submits the following comments to the California Energy Commission (CEC) in reference to the Workshop on Building Decarbonization Assessment; Docket No. 19-DECARB-01.

BSH Home Appliances Corporation is headquartered in Irvine, California. Of more than 2,000 employees in North America, over 340 are based out of our Irvine, CA location. BSH manufactures residential appliances for the US and Canadian markets which are sold under the Bosch, Thermador and Gaggenau brands. The BSH portfolio of products, in part, includes all-gas cooktops and rangetops as well as all-gas and dual-fuel (gas and electric) freestanding ranges.

BSH supports the use of renewable gas in residential buildings to meet our climate goals and maintaining a diverse portfolio of energy options while offering customers much needed choices in their preferred appliances for cooking in their homes.

BSH asks that the CEC approach compliance with AB 3232 impartially and opposes an all-electrical approach. BSH welcomes the promotion and distribution of carbon-neutral renewable gases (RNG) like biomethane, which can be safely distributed using the already existing infrastructure, and can be safely used by our home appliances, including the ones already installed. Gas pipes can be used for the distribution of such carbon-neutral renewable gases, and therefore play an important role in the promotion of “green energy” and the reduction of GHG. Decisions calling for the disconnection of residential buildings from the gas grid should be avoided. If such a decision is applied to new buildings only, it will not improve the situation of millions of homes that are already connected to the gas grid. However, the distribution of RNG would provide a clean energy source for both new and existing residential buildings.

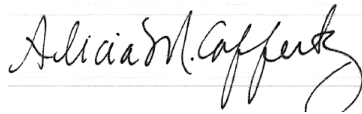
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BSH appreciates the opportunity to submit these comments and would be glad to discuss in more detail should you so request.

Respectfully Submitted,

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