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Encourage All Electric Construction Requirement

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California Energy Commission
Docket Unit MS-4
RE: Docket No. 19-BSTD-03
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I write on behalf of the San Francisco Electrical Contractors Association (SFECA), a chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA). The SFECA represents over 100 electrical contracting firms employing over 3,000 electrical workers in San Francisco. We believe it is important to encourage the California Electrical Commission to adopt an "all-electric" construction requirement for 2022 Energy Code, Title 24, Part 6 for residential and commercial buildings.

Electrification is essential to achieving carbon neutrality. SFECA member contractors and other NECA contractors with their highly trained, qualified, and certified I.B.E.W. employees have successfully built all electric facilities and buildings. We have seen firsthand how these buildings are less expensive to build, operate and maintain and how practical and economically feasible it is to incorporate or add solar and energy storage.

Retrofitting in the long run is always more expensive than initially building all-electric. As budgets will undoubtedly be tighter as we all move forward from the economic consequences of the current pandemic, it is important to act quickly to reduce future costs by adopting all electric construction.

Sincerely

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