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Casita Coalition is a cross-sector, statewide coalition of ADU and middle housing industry professionals, housing policy leaders, and homeowners working to make it easier to build ADUs and middle-scale infill homes to improve affordability and sustainability of California communities.

In response to the current request for comments on battery ready requirements and ADUs, Casita Coalition recommends that an exemption for all ADUs from battery-ready requirements will be the most effective path forward. This exemption follows logically as the next step from CEC's previous ADU standards modifications, and would also represent a most welcome cost savings to help projects pencil out at more affordable rents.

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Per the comment in the recent webinar that the 225 A busbar rating standard for ADUs was under review, we'd like to make the following general comment–as the Energy Code standards apply only to site-built construction, where specifications are right-sized for the service needs and demands of the individual parcel and occupants, uniform standards for all new units (ADUs can range from 150-1200 sf) don't address the right-sizing approach of infill development.Â

We'd be happy to discuss these questions further at your convenience. Thank you for your consideration of these comments and for the CEC's flexibility in adapting as the ADU industry evolves and grows.