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Re: 08-ALT-1 & AB118 Investment Plan

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is David Verdiner and I am writing this letter on behalf of myself and friends that are considering a purchase of an electric scooter here in California. While I live in West Hollywood, my friends live in San Francisco, Santa Monica, Oakland, Albany, Northridge, Culver City, Encino, Los Angeles and San Diego. While some of us commented on your webcast of the AB118 AQIP workshop on November 6, 2008 @10:am in Sacramento at the CAL/EPA building, we wanted to follow up with a letter explaining our position. We are choosing to purchase these 100% zero emission electric scooters because we are concerned with the environment, noise pollution (they are silent), efforts to cut down on carbon based fuel reliance, saving money, reducing emissions thus cleaning our air.

One factor that will influence if we buy this electric vehicle is if it is included in your rebate program. Last year, your program granted a refund of \$1,500 for Vetrix electric scooters which were highway legal (travel 65mph); however, you should include in your definition, all electric scooters which are street legal (travel 45mph), DOT compliant, emit zero emissions, have a VIN number and a scooter license is necessary. By including these additional vehicles, you would be taking a lot of cars off the road, thus reducing congestion, emissions and our overall carbon footprint and encouraging commuters to have a viable alternative to using their individual cars and an excellent compliment to your other methods of promoting fewer emissions and reduction of carbon based fuel consumption.

Electric scooters travel at the cost of approximately \$.01 cent per mile while traveling by car is approximately \$.57 cents per mile. Like myself, Californians are looking for ways to save money, reduce our dependence on foreign oil and cleaning our air and environment. These electric scooters which travel approximately 40 miles and at speeds up to 45mph are perfect for most commutes to work by surface streets, local shopping & travel and can greatly reduce traffic, emissions and oil consumption.

Please include all street compliant (45mph), DOT approved, zero emission, 100% electric scooters in your definition of vehicles which are covered in your rebate program.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

David Verdiner

and on behalf of my friends (see attached):

## Friends and Interested Electric Scooter Buyers

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