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PERSONAL RAPID TRANSIT PILOT DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM

Dear Commissioner Boyd:

The City of Mountain View recognizes the potential of personal rapid transit (PRT) to serve our community as a safer, quicker and healthier alternative to the automobile. PRT provides a comprehensive transportation solution that addresses three vital goals of California public policy: improved energy efficiency, decreased greenhouse gases and congestion reduction. On February 28, 2010, the City Council adopted a resolution supporting the general concept of an automated PRT system in Mountain View.

The City believes that first- and second-generation PRT technologies are proven and demonstrated technical solutions in Europe and Asia. Next-generation systems under development in California promise substantial performance breakthroughs. A PRT demonstration system is necessary to obtain critical evaluation data and provide the basis for a comparative analysis with other vehicle types.

Therefore, the City of Mountain View urges the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program to provide funding for a demonstration project to assess this promising technology. The funding of such a project is consistent with the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program's policy of demonstrating innovative technologies to achieve full commercial viability.

This is an historic opportunity for the California Energy Commission's Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program to bring jobs and manufacturing to California by jump-starting this critical technology and becoming a world leader in this emerging global industry.

Sincerely,

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