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February 2, 2012

Commissioner Karen Douglas  
California Energy Commission  
1516 Ninth Street, MS-31  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Docket # 10-BSTD-01

Subject: Building Energy Efficiency Standards Acceptance Testing and Documentation

Dear Commissioner Douglas:

I write to you to encourage the Commission to include in its 2013 update of the Title 24 Building Standards rigorous acceptance testing and documentation requirements for installation of heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) and advanced lighting controls.

Appropriate training and certification of contractors and technicians is essential for California to realize the maximum energy savings from efficient HVAC and lighting control systems. As the California Commissioning Collaborative recently found, code officials, contractors and engineers are not clear on the acceptance testing procedures and form documentation for these efficiency measures.

Therefore, I urge the Commission to require that all HVAC related acceptance testing and documentation be performed by Testing, Adjusting, and Balancing technicians certified by the Associated Air Balance Council, National Environmental Balancing Bureau, or the Testing Adjusting and Balancing Bureau.

I also urge the Commission to require that all advanced lighting control related acceptance testing and documentation to be performed by California state certified general electricians who are also certified by the California Advanced Lighting Controls Training Program.

Adopting these requirements will help ensure that cost-effective energy savings result from the Title 24 Building Standards.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alex Padilla".

ALEX PADILLA  
Chairman

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