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TO: The California Energy Commission

ATTENTION: **Docket No. 15-BSTD-01**

I am writing to state **our support for the proposed changes to Part 6, Section 141.0**, that will simplify energy efficiency retrofits to existing lighting systems.

We are a fluorescent and HID lamp recycling business that serves both end-user customers of these products and companies that provide energy-efficiency retrofits to those companies. We have seen our business decline during 2014 by 25%, and nearly all of this can be attributed to a decline in lamp recycling by our lighting retrofit customers. We have been told by them that their business has been affected by the Title 24 regulations governing lighting retrofits. Some of them who had truck-load shipments every several months in the past, now have only an occasional small pick-up over a longer time frame.

We ask that you approve the proposed changes to Part 6, Section 141.0 of the Title 24 regulations governing lighting. Our business, like the businesses of our lighting retrofit customers, is being seriously damaged by the effects of the 2014 Title 24 regulations relating to lighting and the associated businesses that support it.

We also ask that these changes happen sooner rather than later, because the financial pain to suppliers like us and others in this industry have been going on for more than a year. Vendors that support the energy efficiency industry cannot survive a longer delay and be viable players if the energy efficiency makes a comeback 8 months or 14 months from now. The change in regulations needs to be made now, not next year. Our customers in the energy efficiency industry are pretty much dormant, and that passes on to us. How much any of us can survive to support energy efficiency in the future is up in the air. The decision about the future of energy conservation in California and the businesses that support it is in your hands.

Thank you,

Pamela Woodard
President