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March 1, 2016

Mr. Robert Oglesby  
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California Energy Commission  
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**RE: Application for Locally Adopted Energy Standards by the City of Davis in Accordance with Section 10-106 of the California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1.**

At the Davis City Council's regular meeting on November 19, 2013, the Council conducted a public hearing and approved an ordinance mandating compliance with the California Green Building Standards Code, Tier One for all projects to the extent possible. This requirement pertains to projects as described in the California Green Building Standards §301 and is further modified to include all additions, alterations and remodels regardless of limitations listed in the Title 24, Part 11. The second reading was held on December 3, 2013. The Tier One requirement has not been enforced because the City lacked a cost effectiveness study to verify that this action is in compliance with California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1. Subsequently, the City has obtained a cost effectiveness study prepared by Davis Energy Group Inc., Enercomp Inc., and Misti Bruceri & Associates LLC. The study applies only to residential structures in climate zone 12. As such, the Tier 1 requirement will only be applicable to residential structures. The Tier 1 requirement will not be applied to non-residential projects.

I teach the California Energy Code at Cosumnes River College and for Green Technology. I am currently serving as the Chair of the CALBO Energy Commission Advisory Committee. As Chief Building Official for the City of Davis I am committed to enforcement of Title 24, Part 6 within the City of Davis. Any exemptions or exceptions are applicable only to the proposed ordinance and do not apply to Title 24, Part 6.

Additionally, the City of Davis found that, under the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines, there is no possibility that the implementation of the ordinance will have a significant negative impact on the environment and is thus exempt from the requirements of CEQA."

Enclosed with this application are the following:

1. Signed Ordinance adopting California Green Building Standards Tier 1 and the associated staff reports.
2. Cost effectiveness study dated January 22, 2016 demonstrating cost effectiveness of Tier 1 compliance for residential structures.

The proposed energy standards found in the City of Davis ordinance adopting California Green Building Standards Tier 1 will require buildings to be designed to consume no more energy than permitted by Title 24, Part 6.

Please approve the enclosed ordinance pursuant to Public resources Code, Subsection 25402.1(h)(2).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'G. Mahoney', with a stylized, flowing script.

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