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Marybel Batjer, Chair
California Building Standards Commission
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Submitted via email to: cbcs@dgs.ca.gov

Subject: CALGreen 2019 Rulemaking Cycle Electric Vehicle (EV) Capable Measures

Dear Chair Batjer and Members of the Commission:


On behalf of the more than 350 members of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group, I write in support of the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and Housing and Community Development's (HCD) recommendation to increase the mandatory minimum for EV capable parking for new multifamily housing buildings from 3 percent to at least 10 percent during the California Building Standards Commission's 2018 triennial code adoption cycle. This recommendation is aligned with the Leadership Group's goals of financing and deploying zero-emissions vehicles (ZEVs) and EV charging infrastructure, and meeting SB 32's greenhouse gas emissions reductions targets.

In order to meet California's transportation electrification and 2030 climate goals, new buildings must include more EV charging infrastructure. In April, CARB's gap analysis revealed a gap of 66,000-79,500 EV charging stations still needed to accommodate the Energy Commission's projected 120,000 EVs residing in multifamily housing by 2025. To fill this gap, CARB staff recommends increasing the current 3 percent mandatory minimum for EV-capable parking for multifamily housing to at least 10 percent. To reduce GHG emissions and retrofit costs, 14 Bay Area governments have voluntarily exceeded the mandatory minimum for EV-capable parking for new housing construction. According to CARB's latest cost analysis, pre-wiring parking spaces for EV charging infrastructure could result in \$264 to \$374 million in avoided retrofit costs between 2020-2025.

With the help of Governor Brown's multi-year funding plan to invest \$900 million in the installation of 250,000 EV chargers, California can continue to lead the nation in ZEV purchases and set the standard for forward-thinking energy and environmental policies. The Leadership Group encourages you to increase EV capable parking for new developments to 10 percent to support the accelerated deployment of ZEVs and installation of EV infrastructure.

The Silicon Valley Leadership Group was founded in 1978 by David Packard, Co-Founder of Hewlett Packard. Today, the Leadership Group is driven by more than 350 CEOs/Senior Executives to proactively tackle issues to improve our communities and strengthen our economy, with a focus on education, energy, the environment, health care, housing, tax policy, tech & innovation policy, and transportation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Heidi Sickler, Energy and Environment Senior Associate, at hsickler@svlg.org or (408) 501-7883.

Sincerely,



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