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Dear CA Building Standards Commission,

I am writing to ask you to ensure that ALL new buildings in California are equipped to meet the state's critical Electric Vehicle (EV) targets.

The current building code doesn't give multi-family housing (MFH) the same access to EV charging as single-family housing. This discourages MFH residents from buying EVs and deprives them of the financial benefits (lower operating costs) of EV driving. Installing EV charging infrastructure at the time of new construction is the cheapest way to build EV charging access; without this access, people in apartments and condos are much less likely to get EVs. This is also important to ensure equitable access to infrastructure for lower income residents of apartment and condominiums.

Over 20 California cities have already passed EV "reach codes"; it's time now for CALGreen to **level the playing field** and provide equitable, affordable, ubiquitous access to EV charging in new buildings in *all* California communities.

Specifically, we ask you to require for ***all new Multi-Family Housing units with parking:***

1.
an EV space that is wired directly to the corresponding unit's electricity meter;
2.
true EV Ready 'plug-and-play' charging access, via an electric outlet or EV charging cordset;
3.
prominent labeling of EV charging spaces with highly-visible signage to increase EV awareness and encourage adoption.

Please do your part and improve the 2022 CALGreen code -- so that EV charging will truly be accessible by all, and California can meet its climate targets.

Sincerely,

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