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August 16, 2018

Commissioner Janea Scott  
California Energy Commission  
1516 Ninth Street, MS-32  
Sacramento, CA 92814

RE: DC Fast Charging Infrastructure – Support

Dear Commissioner Scott:

On behalf of the City of Vista, I would like to encourage the development of electric vehicle charging infrastructure needs in our region. The City of Vista is updating its Climate Action Plan to help Vista meet California's revised goals established in Assembly Bill (AB) 32 and accelerated in Senate Bill (SB) 32 in an effort to meet state guidelines. Transportation accounts for more than 50% of our City's GHG emissions. It is important that we provide the necessary infrastructure for our residents who utilize zero emission vehicles (ZEV).

Widespread and accessible electric charging infrastructure is needed throughout our region. The strategic installation of DC fast charging along our local and state highways, specifically on Highway 78, would allow drivers to have more options on where to charge their car. The development of an integrated charging infrastructure network would help to reduce range anxiety, a factor when purchasing an electric vehicle.

San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) has been working to address the current electric vehicle charging infrastructure needs of our region. Their *Power Your Drive* program has been critical in helping increase this infrastructure. Through this program, SDG&E owns, operates and maintains the infrastructure, creating a turnkey approach for charging needs. The City of Vista supports efforts that reflect a positive, collective, and cohesive approach to regional solutions, such as infrastructure improvements for DC fast charging stations.

We ask that you work to create a similar program to install DC fast charging along the region's major highways and heavily traveled transportation corridors. This infrastructure is essential to cities like ours meeting their state mandated GHG reduction goals.

Sincerely,

  
Judy Ritter  
Mayor

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