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April 16, 2018

The Honorable Patricia C. Bates  
State Capitol Room 305  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Senate Bill 1151 (Bates): Neighborhood Electric Vehicles (Support)**

Dear Senator Bates:

On behalf of Cleantech San Diego, please accept this letter as one of support for Senate Bill 1151 (SB 1151), which would authorize the County of San Diego, and any city therein, to establish Neighborhood Electric Vehicle (NEV) Transportation Plans to serve the mobility needs of their communities and support a sustainable and healthy region, vibrant economy, and outstanding quality of life for all.

Cleantech San Diego is a member-based trade organization that works to support the cleantech industry throughout Southern California, as a global leader in the cleantech economy. Our members include more than 100 local businesses, universities, governments, and nonprofits committed to advancing sustainable solutions for the benefit of the economy and the environment.

The 2015 Regional Transportation Plan for San Diego, named San Diego Forward: The Regional Plan, envisions the expansion of publicly-shared NEVs as a way to provide a clean, economical, and convenient alternative to driving alone for neighborhood trips and connecting to transit. In order to take full advantage of the benefits that NEVs may provide – including enhanced transit connectivity; access to key educational, medical, and job centers; and increased shared mobility service options – legislation is required to authorize the development of plans that would enable the use of NEVs in more locations within the San Diego region.

SB 1151 supports a regional approach to expanding shared mobility choices, enhancing connections to transit beyond the first and last mile, and reducing drive alone trips and greenhouse gas emissions in support of the region's transportation and sustainability goals.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jason Anderson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jason Anderson  
President and CEO  
Cleantech San Diego