July 14, 2017

Dear President Pro Tempore de León and Speaker Rendon:

On behalf of the hundreds of thousands of California climate-friendly business leaders, workers and allies, we are writing to support passage of the Cap-and-Trade and Air Quality bills AB 398 and AB 617. The hundreds of businesses we represent collectively contribute more than $3 trillion to the worldwide economy.

California's Cap-and-Trade Program and complementary air quality measures are crucial to the state’s powerful toolbox to reduce emissions, maintain market certainty, increase economic vitality and ensure all Californians have access to healthy air.

AB 398 improves upon California’s Cap-and-Trade program, increasing transparency and accountability. An effective Cap-and-Trade program, in conjunction with California’s other key climate programs, such as the Low Carbon Fuel Standard, is critical to meeting the state’s aggressive 2030 greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction goals.

Given the Federal administration’s withdrawal from the Paris Climate Accord and repeated rollbacks of critical national climate policies, the world is watching for California to continue to demonstrate our climate leadership. Cap-and-Trade
has become an integral part of the economy, stirring innovation and building new industries and we are concerned that California risks losing its global economic advantage if the program is not advanced. We urge you and your colleagues to support passage of these critical bills without delay.

Sincerely,

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cc: The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr.
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