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California Transportation Commission 1120 N. Street Sacramento, CA 95814 VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

RE: Transportation Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP) Guidelines – Tab 19

Dear Commissioners, Chair Guardino, Vice Chair Grisby and Executive Director Taylor,

On behalf of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 11 and the National Energy Contractors Association (NECA) of Greater Los Angels, which represents approximately 8000 union electricians and 350 electrical contractors, I am writing to encourage the Commission to include in the TCEP guidelines a provision requiring that recipients of TCEP funds that involve the installation of electric vehicle (EV) infrastructure meet an Electrical Vehicle Infrastructure Training Program (EVITP) requirement consistent with California Public Utilities Code 740.20.

There is extensive precedent for an EVITP requirement, which ensures EV infrastructure is installed to the highest standards of safety and quality. The California Air Resources Board, Energy Commission and Public Utilities Commission all require meeting an EVITP requirement when granting public funds for EV infrastructure. EVITP requirements have been adopted by the United States Federal Government, investor owned utilities, cities like Los Angeles and Long Beach, Ports and many more entities.

EVITP is a collaboration of industry stakeholders including automakers, electric vehicle supply equipment manufacturers, educational institutions, utilities and other key EV industry stakeholders. It is an open program available to all state certified general electricians. There are currently more than five times the number of EVITP certified electricians needed to meet the state's 2030 EV goals.

Thank you for your consideration.

Simperely,

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