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April 12, 2022

The Honorable Eduardo Garcia  
Chair, Assembly Utilities and Energy Commission  
1021 O Street, Suite 8120  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 1814 (Grayson): Transportation Electrification Funds: Community Choice Aggregators  
City of Lafayette – Notice of Support**

Dear Assembly Member Garcia:

On behalf of the City of Lafayette, I write in support of AB 1814 (Grayson), which authorizes Community Choice Aggregators (CCAs) to submit applications to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to receive funding to administer transportation electrification programs in their service areas.

The City of Lafayette is a member of MCE Community Choice Energy, a not-for-profit public agency that delivers renewable power more than one million residents and businesses in 37 member communities across four Bay Area counties: Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, and Solano. A locally governed public entity, MCE Community Choice Energy enhances the communities it serves by reinvesting its revenues locally. MCE has developed and administers local programs to expand electric vehicle adoption for all residents in its service area. It has also improved and advanced the resiliency of the local electricity sector.

A major element of California's stringent air quality and climate change initiatives is the accelerated growth and development of zero-emission vehicle use and the associated network of electric vehicle (EV) charging stations. To build out the needed statewide system of EV charging stations, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) is holding a proceeding to authorize the Investor-Owned Utilities (IOUs) to file applications to receive ratepayer funded transportation electrification program funding. Although our ratepayers also contribute to these funds, CCAs like MCE are not explicitly authorized in existing law to access these funds. As a result, local leaders have little ability to tailor

electric vehicle infrastructure and programs to serve residents and businesses, particularly in traditionally underrepresented areas.

AB 1814 is a narrowly tailored, straightforward bill. It would explicitly authorize CCAs to file applications with the CPUC to administer funds for the purpose of implementing programs and investments that would accelerate widespread transportation electrification. CCAs that receive funding would adhere to all the same requirements that IOUs are currently required to meet.

For these reasons, the City of Lafayette supports AB 1814. We respectfully request your "Aye" vote when the bill is heard in committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Teresa Gerring", written in dark ink.

Teresa Gerring  
Mayor  
City of Lafayette

cc: Senator Steve Glazer  
Assembly Member Rebecca Bauer-Kahan