

Mr. Krause and Ms. Farr South Coast Air Quality Management District 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765

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RE: Support for Proposed Amended Rules 1111 and 1121s

Dear Mr. Krause and Ms. Farr:

Climate Action Santa Monica supports the South Coast Air Quality Management District's (SCAQMD) proposal to reduce appliance air pollution to improve public health by adopting Rule 1111 and 1121 amendments requiring that all new and replacement water heaters and furnaces be electric. We urge the adoption of strong requirements with minimal exemptions that take effect when currently proposed. We also support the approval of \$100 million in incentives to support the implementation of these amendments, especially for lower income residents, through SCAQMD's Go Zero program.

The City of Santa Monica has adopted a Title 24 Reach Code encouraging the use of electric water and space heating in new buildings and is working on an existing building ordinance for larger structures. Therefore the proposed Rule 1111 and 1121 amendments would help the City achieve its goals.

As a community organization, we know that many community members are working on electrifying their homes to improve indoor air quality and their health, and to reduce greenhouse gases. The proposed Rule 1111 and 1121 amendments would help both contractors and homeowners by spurring the further development of the markets and skills needed to facilitate the economical and timely execution of electrification projects.

Please adopt the Rule 1111 and 1121 amendments with urgency to expedite the transition away from hazardous air emissions in our homes and communities.

Sincerely,

Laurene von Klan – Executive Director and Co-Chair Kent Strumpell – Co-Chair