



**CITY OF
CHULA VISTA**

**CONSERVATION SECTION
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

California Energy Commission
Robert B. Weisenmiller, Chair
1516 9th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Support for the proposed project entitled "Local Benefits from Building Energy Standards"

Dear Commissioners:

As the Environmental Resource Manager for the City of Chula Vista, I am committed to helping ensure that California's building stock is achieving the ambitious and important energy performance standards that state and local governments have established. To facilitate continued progress in implementing present and future standards, local governments need documentation of the fiscal benefits that derive from improved building energy standards. The proposed research from UC-Berkeley's Center for Resource Efficient Communities (CREC), Center for the Built Environment (CBE), and Fisher Center for Real Estate and Urban Economics will provide this documentation.

I have reviewed the proposed research and am confident in its approach and usefulness. In particular, the proposed guidebook for local governments will directly aid our work to improve building energy performance and help the Energy Commission to meet its ambitious building-related energy goals. The City of Chula Vista will use the findings generated by this research to help communicate to our local community, colleagues and policymakers the municipal fiscal benefits that flow from improved building energy efficiency.

In short, I whole-heartedly support this research and hope you will do the same. Please feel free to contact me at 619-409-5889 or breed@chulavistaca.gov with any questions.

Thank you for your time & consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Reed", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Brendan J. Reed
Environmental Resource Manager
City of Chula Vista

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