

February 16, 2015

Dear Commissioner McAllister:

We are writing you in strong support of the California Lighting Technology Center (CLTC), University of California, Davis, a public-private partnership that has evolved over the last decade. This partnership grew out of a close collaboration between the lighting industry, California's investor owned utilities and the California Energy Commission to support a broad programmatic research, demonstration, education and training project portfolio.

We have collaborated with CLTC on several projects. A few to mention are projects that pertain to the type of collaboration that CLTC fosters. Among those were the following:

1. PIER Program: HALO LED Downlight that resulted in becoming the first ENERGY STAR® certified LED recessed downlight. This project offered demonstration opportunities to support the State of California with advancing energy efficiency and code development while solving one of the most challenging residential applications.
2. CLTC leadership facilitated meetings with Eaton's Cooper Lighting key personnel to guide alignment of control lighting solutions in support of California's 2013 Title 24 implementation early-on.

CLTC is very effective in addressing and resolving lighting-related issues that impede progress toward state energy goals. A significant part of CLTC's success is due to the integrated and harmonized activities that bring together education, research and codes and standards activities. We strongly encourage this integrated approach.

Investing in CLTC and research centers that use a similar model presents the opportunity to effectively integrate and address long-term energy efficiency issues that cannot be obtained through individual project solicitations in different activity areas and at different times.

Sincerely,



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