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I am writing in regard to the California Advanced Lighting Controls Training Program's application to be approved by the California Energy Commission as a Lighting Control Acceptance Test Technician Certification Provider. I have supported the Commission's efforts to develop a certification program to ensure that acceptance tests are performed by qualified, trained personnel. However, for certification to be worthwhile, the Commission must ensure that it holds the certification providers to the highest standards feasible.

I urge the Commission to ensure that provider applications are sufficiently detailed and rigorous to demonstrate a strong likelihood for success. In particular, I am concerned about four aspects of a provider's program: (1) ensuring the provider has sufficient experience, reputation and qualifications to demonstrate a likelihood of success; (2)ensuring certification applicants have three years of relevant, verified professional experience in lighting controls; (2) ensuring training covers all necessary topics and testing is validated for subject matter and bias; and (3) ensuring that providers require and implement rigorous quality assurance procedures to ensure a high level of performance and reliability.

The CALCTP application demonstrates that it meets these concerns. Accordingly, I support the full approval of CALCTP as a Lighting Control Acceptance Test Technician Certification Provider.

Sincerely,
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