



VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

December 22, 2025

Chair McCallon and Members of the Committee
Stationary Source Committee
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA

Re: Go Zero Pilot Expansion

Dear Chair McCallon and Members of the Committee:

On behalf of the undersigned organizations, we write today to encourage expansion of the Go Zero pilot program. This committee approved the Go Zero pilot on June 21, 2024, and funds started to flow to the community and businesses on September 3, 2025. The program has been incredibly popular, and even one stream of funding (multifamily) has been fully subscribed. In light of this demonstrable need *and* popularity, we urge this committee and the entire Governing Board to start thinking now about expanding this program and allocating additional funds. It is our understanding significant funds remain in the Rule 1111 and 1121 mitigation fee fund, so resources exist which could be deployed to great use. Funds to allow more efficient appliances are desperately needed, and we hope this Committee will request to expand this incredibly successful program beyond the pilot phase as soon as the first quarter of 2026 for the following reasons.

Public health will benefit from the allocation of additional resources. The need to tackle harmful pollution from appliances remains vital as the region continues to suffer from some of the worst air quality in the country. We have already seen 110 dirty ozone days this year in the region. As this committee is aware, appliance pollution is the single largest stationary source inventory under the agency's jurisdiction. Moving quickly to fill this incentive program means we can have thousands more zero-emitting appliances in our homes, apartments, and businesses by the start of the 2026 smog season.

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More than \$80 million dollars is left in the Rule 1111 and 1121 Mitigation Fund.

Significant funds remain in the Rule 1111 and 1121 mitigation fee fund that could be used now. Even after the \$21 million allocated for the Go Zero Pilot, it is our understanding there could be \$80 million or more left in the Rule 1111 and 1121 mitigation fee fund. This \$80 million would ideally be used to expand the Go Zero from a pilot to a full program. The Governing Board even approved a rule amendment at the December Governing Board meeting that will result in additional funds added to this pot.

Families and businesses need your support. We currently have significant affordability issues facing people in the region. The South Coast designed the Go Zero pilot to focus on families and businesses that need the support most. The Board now has the opportunity to provide tens of millions of dollars in support for communities that need it by allocating \$80 million to the program and making it a permanent program. Given the fully exhausted multifamily stream of funding, the Governing Board could allocate an additional \$10 million to multifamily in January while it vets the broader expansion of the program by the beginning of the second quarter of next year.

We look forward to working with this committee and the entire Governing Board in the New Year to bring appliances that are clean and more efficient.

Sincerely,

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