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**Craig A. Corman**  
**Councilmember**

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Hon. Vanessa Delgado, Chair  
South Coast Air Quality Management District Governing Board  
21865 Copley Drive  
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Dear Chair Delgado and Governing Board Members,

I write to express my sole opinion in opposition to South Coast AQMD's Proposed Amended Rules (PARS) 1111 and 1121, as noticed on April 10, 2025 for the public hearing on June 6, 2025.

Under the newly amended proposed rules, consumers would still be forced to choose between: 1) installing all-electric space and water heaters that cost thousands more than natural gas appliances; or 2) paying higher prices on all-electric appliances passed down by manufacturers seeking to recover fees imposed by PARS 1111 and 1121. Thus, the amended proposed rules would force higher costs onto consumers, renters, and home and property owners at a time when many can ill afford them.

Upgrading buildings to accommodate all these new electric appliances would also be a significant expense. Costly electrical system upgrades often lead to rent increases, placing additional financial pressure on tenants in a region already struggling with housing affordability; at a time when the housing market is under immense strain, such increased costs and the potential for tenant displacement could easily worsen Southern California's housing affordability crisis.

Finally, transitioning to all-electric water heaters and furnaces would increase the demand on California's inconsistent power grid, increasing the potential for disruptive – and for some people, even dangerous – brownouts and outages.

For all of these reasons, while I understand the laudable intention behind PARS 1111 and 1121, I must respectfully urge the Board to reject them at this time.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Craig Corman  
Councilmember  
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