## USC Schwarzenegger Institute

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Governing Board South Coast Air Quality Management District Via email

Dear Chair Delgado and Members of the Governing Board:

RE: Support Proposed Amended Rules 1111 and 1121

On behalf of the USC Schwarzenegger Institute, I support the adoption of Proposed Amendments Rules 1111 and 1121. We know the importance of clean air to the health and safety of people who live and work in California. Proposed Amended Rules 1111 and 1112 are an opportunity to cut pollution from a major contributor to smog in Southern California. During this challenging time in our nation's history, it's more important than ever to continue to reduce pollution locally.

Let's ensure that manufacturers gradually increase the sales of highly efficient heat pumps and water heaters. This will address one of the largest sources of pollution in our region. Gas appliances in homes and buildings generate seven times more smog forming pollution than all of the power plants in this same area. With these rules, coupled with incentive programs, we can together, help clean up our air.

Clean air is important to all Californians regardless of race, class, or political party. Thank you South Coast AQMD for your decades of effort to create healthier air for Southern California. The USC Schwarzenegger Institute looks forward to working with you towards a cleaner, healthier future. Supporting the passage of these rules is an important step towards our collective goals.

Sincerely,

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