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Greetings,

The Members I represent as well as the public have very little to no benefit in these amendments as proposed for rules 1111 and 1121. These changes will force costs to fall on consumers from manufactures and there lies the burden. In a time of recovery from financial woes coming from Covid, Inflation and Tariffs this will be another hurdle for the general public to jump through. The retrofitting of homes to support zero NOx appliances (electric), are far too expensive let alone our current infrastructure for electric cannot handle the load. Brown outs have become a regular thing more and more due to the single fuel agenda, until the infrastructure has been greatly improved then we will face more. Furthermore, the estimates that were provided for cost analysis had been pointed out to be too low by the board, this clearly shows a discrepancy in the comparisons.

What is being presented is a drop in emissions, current Natural gas appliances are near zero NOx and if installed properly there are little to no emissions. Electric is not zero emission, the number of emissions produced to keep up with the greater load on the electrical infrastructure is far greater than if we continued to be hybrid or dual fuel. When installed properly natural gas appliances have no emissions in the household from which is being advertised in the presentations as well as what is being stated from certain environmental groups.

I want to also point out that in the many new articles AQMD is mentioned; they have "looked into making these amendments due to the recent fires in Palisades and Eaton". There is a plethora of articles that state Eaton was caused by an electrical fire, and Palisades may have been a firework on a hillside not near natural gas facilities. Natural gas was not the cause here so do not include my Members in this fight that they did not start. The Membership I represent are highly skilled and trained individuals that have the safety of their communities at heart first, they pride themselves on providing safe and reliable fuels to the neighborhoods we know and love. We are also consumers. It has been presented that these

amendments will create a couple hundred jobs but in part will cause hundreds close to a thousand of my members jobs that service these appliances as well as any 3<sup>rd</sup> party company that provides that service as well as install. I urge you to consider this outcome if these amendments become reality.

I thank you for taking the opinions from over 3000 Members into consideration in opposing these amendments.

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