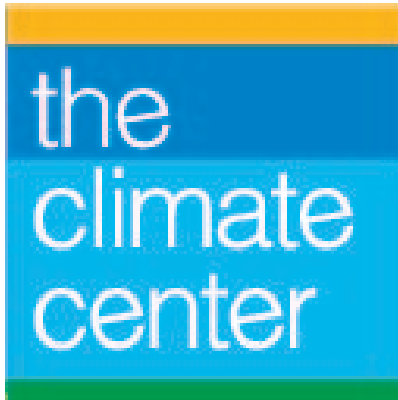




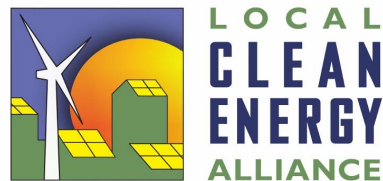
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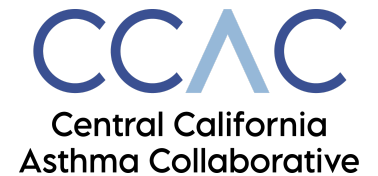


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April 19, 2023

The Honorable Lena A. Gonzalez
Chair, Senate Transportation Committee
State Capitol, Room 405
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: SB 233 (Skinner) - SUPPORT

Dear Chair Gonzalez,

We are writing in support of SB 233, an urgent and important bill to address California's electricity reliability crisis.

SB 233 will enable California to address multiple challenges at once through harnessing the untapped battery storage capacity of electric vehicles (EVs). The electrification of transportation creates a once-in-a-generation opportunity for EVs to not only decarbonize transportation, but also keep the lights on during power outages, lower energy bills for Californians, and make our electricity system more reliable on a daily basis.

EVs capable of bidirectional charging can store abundant renewable energy when it is available and provide power back to the grid at peak times when it is most needed. Widespread adoption of bidirectional EVs will help California phase out fossil fuel-powered backup generators and reduce reliance on polluting power plants, many of which are sited in low-income communities that already suffer the most from air pollution and power outages.

SB 233 will ensure that Californian taxpayers get maximum value out of EV investments so that everyone can benefit from more reliable electricity, cleaner air, and a more equitable energy system.

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