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August 23, 2023

Honorable Assemblymember Chris Holden
1021 O Street, Suite 565
Sacramento, CA 94249-0041

Subject: SB 233 (Skinner) Bidirectional capability for electric vehicles (EVs) Support

Dear Assemblymember Holden:

I am writing on behalf of the Peace and Freedom Party of California in support of SB 233 (Skinner).

SB 233 will, except for certain exemptions, require new passenger electric vehicles and school buses sold in California to have bidirectional charging capability by 2030. It aims to unlock the potential for electric vehicles by having them store electricity in order to shore up the electric grid and power homes during outages.

We hope that the electrification of transportation will create opportunities for electric vehicles to make our energy system more reliable on a daily basis as well as keep the lights on during power outages. While electric vehicles do produce greenhouse gas, it is only half of what fossil fuels produce. Bidirectional EVs would allow California to phase out fossil fuel-powered backup generators, cleaning up the air and improving public health.

Working-class communities have faced barriers in adopting clean technologies due to financial constraints and limited access to charging infrastructure. Additional legislation is needed to ensure that people have the potential to sell energy back to utilities, to provide for widespread participation in the clean energy economy.

For these reasons, the Peace and Freedom Party supports SB 233 and urge members of the Assembly to vote yea on it. To discuss our position on this bill further, please contact me at (916) 422-5395 or at CTWeberVoters@att.net.

Sincerely,

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