PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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The Honorable Lloyd Levine Chair, Assembly Utilities & Commerce Committee State Capitol, Room 5136 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 1144 (Cox) – As amended April 22, 2008 – Support Status: Assembly Utilities and Commerce Hearing – June 23, 2008

Dear Chairman Levine:

On March 13, 2008, the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) voted unanimously to support SB 1144, which would extend the California High Cost Fund A (CHCF-A) program's current sunset date from January 1, 2009 to January 1, 2013.

Please see the attached analysis for an explanation of the Commission's position.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to call me at (916) 327-8441.

Sincerely,

PAMELA LOOMIS

Director

Enclosure

cc: The Hon. Dave Cox, Member, California State Senate

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