



September 10, 2015

The Honorable Kevin de León
President Pro Tempore California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 205
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: SB 350 (De León) – Position Change to NEUTRAL

Dear Pro Tem de León:

The California Business Roundtable has formally removed our opposition to SB 350 and officially is NEUTRAL on the bill.

Energy is one of the most critically important issues to a strong and vibrant economy. The statewide business community is leading the way in achieving the emission reductions under the current AB 32 regulations and dozens of companion measures such as the renewable portfolio standard and energy efficiency programs.

Our commitment is to achieve the emission reductions at the lowest possible cost to California consumers and businesses. We want California to send a message in the upcoming Paris negotiations that California is committed to policies that can achieve emission reductions while maintaining a strong economy. That is the only way we will ultimately be successful in bringing other states and nations along to solve this problem.

In the months ahead, we look forward to continuing our work with policy makers on issues such as energy and consumer costs, legislative oversight, the 50% RPS standard, Cal-ISO and others to make California's program successful and the model for other jurisdictions to follow.

Our members recognize your leadership on this issue. We stand ready to meet with you to discuss how we can improve California's environment and economy.

Sincerely,

Robert C. Lapsley, President
California Business Roundtable