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Re: Nomination of Gregory M. Scott, representing the American Car Rental Association, as a Nominee to Serve on the Electric Vehicle Working Group

Dear Ms. Nealer:

The Board of Directors and members of the American Car Rental Association (ACRA) respectfully ask for your consideration of Gregory M. Scott, ACRA's Government Relations Representative, as a member of the Electric Vehicle Working Group established under Section 25006 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 (IIJA). Thank you for considering the request.

The American Car Rental Association

The American Car Rental Association is the national representative for over 98% of our nation's car rental industry. ACRA's membership is comprised of over 300 car rental companies, including all of the brands you would recognize such as Alamo, Avis, Budget, Dollar, Enterprise, Fox, Hertz, National, Sixt and Thrifty. ACRA members also include many system licensees and franchisees, mid-size, regional and independent car rental companies as well as smaller, "mom & pop" operators. ACRA members have almost 2 million registered vehicles in service in the United States, with fleets ranging in size from one million cars to ten cars.

The Role of the Car Rental Industry in Achieving Sustainable Mobility

As noted in the attached ACRA Statement on Sustainable Mobility, the car rental industry will be a vital part of the integration of electric vehicles into the nation's passenger vehicle fleet. ACRA members on average purchase one in every ten new light duty vehicles sold in the United States each year. 25% of all light duty vehicle miles travelled in the United States each year are in a rented vehicle. Thus, the car rental industry is a key participant in the drive for sustainable mobility. In many instances, a driver's first experience in a zero emissions vehicle will be in the rental car context. Combining all these factors, the car rental industry likely is the most important shared mobility stakeholder for converting "motor vehicle trips" by an individual to "zero emission vehicle trips" – even more important than individually-owned vehicles.

Mr. Scott has been engaged actively in the car rental industry for 30 years and understands the operations of ACRA's members, large and small. He has advocated for the entire domestic car rental industry for decades on issues related to alternative fuel vehicles and understands the challenges and opportunities that prior federal and state efforts to transition to alternative fueled vehicles have presented to the car rental industry. He is uniquely qualified to bring this industry experience to the current efforts to expand the use of electric vehicles and other clean fuel vehicles in both car rental fleets and in the nation's overall vehicle inventory.

Mr. Scott also has owned personally a Hyundai electric vehicle for the past three years, giving him extensive personal experience – both positive and negative -- with owning electric vehicles – including bypassing gas stations charging \$5 per gallon of gasoline, diverse charging equipment types and challenges, "range anxiety," manufacturer recalls of batteries, and working with his local utility to promote the transition to electric vehicles.

In advance, thank you for considering Mr. Scott as a member of the Electric Vehicle Work Group. If you have questions about ACRA or Mr. Scott's candidacy, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,



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