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Boilermakers 549
Brick & Tile 3
Northern California
Carpenters Regional Council
Carpenters 405
Carpet & Linoleum 12
Cement Masons 400
Electricians 234
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Elevator Constructors 8
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Laborers 67
Lathers 9144
Millmen 262
Millwrights 102
Operating Engineers 3
Painters District Council 16
Painters 507
Plasterers 300
Plumbers & Steamfitters 393
Roofers 95
Sheet Metal Workers 104
Sign, Display 510
Sprinkler Fitters 483
Teamsters 287

Ken Alex, Director
Governor's Office of Planning and Research
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Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

Re: Comments in Support of Apple Campus 2 Project AB 900 Application (SCH # 2011082055)

Dear Mr. Alex:

On behalf of the Santa Clara & San Benito Counties Building & Construction Trades Council and its **25,000+** members who live and work in California, I am writing in support of the Apple Campus 2 Project AB 900 application submitted by Apple Inc.

One reason for our support is that we are satisfied the Apple Campus 2 Project will create high-wage, highly skilled jobs that pay prevailing wages, consistent with AB 900's purpose. The project involves the total redesign and reconstruction of a 176-acre infill site in Cupertino, California, including the construction of over 3 million square feet of state-of-the art building space incorporating the latest in green building technology. A project of this scope and sophistication demands highly skilled labor that our California workforce is ready to provide.

Specifically, the construction of Apple Campus 2 is expected to generate hundreds of millions of dollars in construction wages and several thousand full-time construction jobs over the projected 30 to 36 month construction period. As Apple has indicated in its application, these will be the highest quality union jobs paying prevailing wages, ensuring that all workers receive a level of compensation that promotes economy-wide sustainable economic growth. Additionally due to the indirect benefits of this construction-related economic activity, it is likely that over 10,000 new jobs are expected to be generated in Santa Clara County during the construction period.

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Sincerely,

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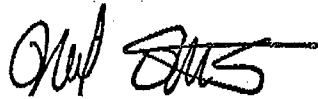
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