



September 19, 2017

The Honorable Jerry Brown  
Governor of California  
California State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 546 (Chiu): Land Use: Local Ordinances: Energy Systems - Request for Signature**

Dear Governor Brown:

Advanced Energy Economy (AEE) requests your **signature** of **AB 546**, which would develop a statewide handbook to streamline regional and local permitting guidelines for energy storage.

AEE is a national association of businesses dedicated to transforming public policy to enable a prosperous world that runs on clean, secure, affordable energy. We are comprised of over 100 companies both large and small across the technology spectrum, including energy efficiency, solar, wind, storage, biofuels, electric vehicles, demand response, advanced metering, and enabling software. Our members also include companies that have made a commitment to power their operations with renewable energy and are working with us to break down the barriers that inhibit them from reaching their sustainability goals.

AB 546 will save cities and counties time and money by providing standard best practices for energy storage permitting. The bill will mitigate costly bureaucracy and stimulate local businesses. AB 546 will enable local governments throughout the state to take advantage of the reliability, GHG-reduction, and cost-savings benefits of the growing energy storage market.

For these reasons, AEE supports AB 546 and requests your signature when it is before you.

Sincerely,

Amisha Rai  
Senior Director, California Policy

cc: Catalina Hayes-Bautista, Deputy Legislative Affairs Secretary, Office of the Governor