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June 6, 2011

The Honorable Noreen Evans
Chair, Senate Judiciary Committee
California State Senate
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 361 (Huffman) – Benefit Corporations - STRONG SUPPORT

Dear Senator Evans:

On behalf of Small Business California and its network of more than 5,000 employers who represent 3.2 million small businesses in this state, we are very pleased to **STRONGLY SUPPORT AB 361** that will establish “Benefit Corporations.” Benefit Corporations would be a new type of corporation that would legally require to create a material positive impact on society and the environment and to meet higher standards of accountability and transparency.

California leads the nation in generating sustainable businesses, but the state does not have the statutory framework to provide these businesses with the foundation to be truly in touch with their directors, shareholders and customers who desire these businesses to move towards environmentally-friendly and socially-conscientious goals.

If we want California to be the national leader in the emerging green economy, then we need to move forward and ensure California joins the growing number of states that have enacted or are considering legislation to recognize Benefit Corporations.

Small Business California strongly supports this important policy area and we look forward to working with you and Committee staff to ensure passage of this legislation. If you have any questions, please contact me directly at 415.680.2109 or email at shauge@smallbusinesscalifornia.org. Or, you may contact our legislative advocate in Sacramento, Lori Kammerer, Kammerer & Company, at 916.441.5674 or at LCK@midtown.net.

Sincerely,

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Scott Hauge, President
Small Business California

cc: Members, Senate Judiciary Committee
The Honorable Jared Huffman
Jim Anderson, Office of Assembly Member Jared Huffman
Mike Petersen, Senate Republican Caucus Consultant



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