Senator Scott Dibble
3107 Minnesota Senate Building
St. Paul, MN 55155

Chair Dibble and Committee members,

Fueling Minnesota is a 100-year-old trade association representing approximately 400 licensed fuel marketers who own and operate the majority of Minnesota's 2,500 retail fueling sites, including many of the fast chargers used by electric vehicle drivers. Our members are primarily multi-generational family businesses and farmer-owned cooperatives located in communities across the state.

Fueling Minnesota appreciates the work that has gone into Senate File 4169 and the effort to address how transportation infrastructure is funded as technologies evolve. However, we remain concerned about some of the proposed changes in the bill. While the legislation makes improvements to the definition of public charging, we believe there may still be gaps that could make it difficult to consistently capture revenue for electricity used as transportation fuel.

Ensuring that Minnesota's roads and bridges are supported with reliable and sustainable funding is a goal we believe all Minnesotans share. If the objective of the legislation is to collect tax on electricity used as a transportation fuel, we respectfully encourage the committee to consider a more comprehensive approach to ensure the policy is applied consistently.

Fueling Minnesota has previously shared ideas and remains ready and willing to work with the committee as it continues to evaluate this important issue.

Respectfully,

Tim Gross
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Fueling Minnesota