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## **Supplementary Information**

A possible channel effect of the organics adsorbed to the electrode surface on interfacial electron transfer in alkaline Pb electrodeposition process

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## *Figure S1. (A)*<sup>1</sup>*H-NMR of BMP and (B) the amplification of coupling peaks moiety in* <sup>1</sup>*H-NMR of BMP*

600 MHz <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$ =8.64 (s, 1H, between -CH<sub>3</sub> and N<sup>+</sup>), 8.642-8.63 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.286-8.273 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.854-7.830 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.41 - 7.38 (m, 5H), 5.67 (s, -CH<sub>2</sub>, 2H), 2.42 (s, -CH<sub>3</sub>, 3H). It is worth to be noted that signals of two H atoms beside N atom have been overlapped.



Figure S2. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of BMP

600 MHz <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O) δ=145.41 (s), 142.69 (s), 140.42 (s), 139.16 (s), 131.90 (s); 128.82, 128.49, 127.89, 126.55(s) in benzyl group; 63.34 (N-CH<sub>2</sub>-), 16.60(-CH<sub>3</sub>)



Figure S3. Digital photograph and Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) pictures of lead deposit obtained from electrolyte without additive (a) and with 0.003 M BCP (b),0.003 M BMP (c) and 1.5 g/L gelatin (d) at 10 mA/cm<sup>2</sup> in 300 s.

Scheme S1: Equivalent circuit used to model impedance data





Figure S4. Raman spectroscopy of electrolyte with and without 0.003 M BCP



Figure S5. Photos of electrolyte without additive (left), with 0.003 M BCP (middle) and with 0.003 M BMP(right) at 288 K cooling from 353 K



Figure S6. The solubility curve of PbO in the 6.25 M NaOH 0.1L solution without (Blank) and with 0.003 M BCP. The temperature was raised from 298 K to 373 K, then PbO was stepwisely added per gram into 0.1 L solution until PbO could not be dissolved, and the accumulated mass of PbO added was recorded.



Figure S7. The XPS spectrum of O1s (A), C1s (B), N1s (C), Pb4f (D)