



Jimmy H. Baker, Chancellor  
Alabama Community College System  
135 South Union Street  
Montgomery, AL 36104

March 25, 2024

Dear Chancellor Baker,

Northwest Shoals Community College (NWSCC) gladly supports the Alabama Community College System's (ACCS) application for an EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant. NWSCC is committed to implementing key portions of the project as a sub-grantee and will be joining other ACCS colleges in replacing aging, high-mileage vehicles with new, energy-efficient electric vehicles (EVs). The College plans to utilize grant funds to replace ten gasoline-powered vehicles with EVs and UTVs. In addition, NWSCC proposes to purchase and install six Level Two EV charging stations for the College's two campuses to enable continuous use of the EVs and to support additional fleet electrification in the future.

NWSCC is eager to invest in projects that showcase innovation, promote economic growth, and have a positive social impact, particularly in the rural communities in the College's service area. The addition of EVs to the College's existing fleet of vehicles will reduce fuel consumption and result in savings on annual transportation costs. These savings will translate into financial resources that can be used to support student success. In addition, the introduction of EVs into the College's vehicle fleet will contribute to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving air quality, and providing for a cleaner, healthier environment. NWSCC commits to sharing project success stories with our community partners and serving as a role model for other organizations considering fleet electrification.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in this worthy project. We look forward to hearing the good news that the ACCS proposal has been selected for funding.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jeff Goodwin  
President