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Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
Climate Pollution Reduction Grant
Washington, DC 20460

**Re: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Climate Pollution Reduction Grants
Program: Implementation Grant Letter of Support - EPA-R-OAR-CPRGI-23-07 for the
Bay Area Clean Homes Initiative**

Dear U.S. EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Administrator,

On behalf of the Marin County Board of Supervisors, I write in support of the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG's) application to the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program for the Bay Area Clean Homes Initiative (BACHI). This program aligns directly with the goals of the EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant, to significantly reduce near-term greenhouse gas emissions through 2030 and scale reductions in low-income disadvantaged communities over the long term.

BACHI would directly benefit 2,000 low-income and disadvantaged community households, as defined by EPA's Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool for census tracts. Marin County has two census tracts defined by this tool as historically underserved by climate and energy programs: the Canal neighborhood and Marin City. BACHI will deliver free services to multifamily and single-family households in those neighborhoods through the Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) which aim to increase home energy efficiency and cut greenhouse gas emissions. The proposed BACHI program collaborates with many local partners and agencies; Habitat for Humanity, Rebuilding Together, community-based organizations, Community Choice Aggregation companies – in addition to other local governments.

Marin supports the application for the Bay Area Clean Homes Initiative and, should the EPA application be successful, will participate in the delivery of program services to BayREN customers as a BACHI partner. As a BayREN county member, Marin will support marketing, education, and outreach efforts, and provide ongoing program input to ensure our local communities' needs are met.

BACHI will expand access to residential decarbonization for households disproportionately impacted by pollution, burdened by high energy costs, and historically excluded from clean energy opportunities. We urge your support of the application.

Sincerely,

Dennis Rodoni, President
Marin County Board of Supervisors

CC: Marin County Board of Supervisors
Congressman Jared Huffman