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Roy Hesemann, Utilities Director  
City of Cedar Rapids – Utilities Department  
1111 Shaver Road NE  
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**RE: ARCHER DANIELS MIDLAND COMPANY LETTER OF SUPPORT  
ACCELERATING METHANE CAPTURE AND RENEWABLE NATURAL GAS  
ADOPTION AT WASTEWATER FACILITIES IN EASTERN IOWA**

Dear Mr. Hesemann:

Archer Daniels Midland Company (ADM) is pleased to provide this Letter of Support to the City of Cedar Rapids in responding to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program: Implementation Grants General Competition. Cedar Rapids is requesting a federal grant award of **\$125,001,625** to support the Accelerating Methane Capture and Renewable Natural Gas Adoption at Wastewater Facilities in Eastern Iowa, which proposes the integration of anaerobic biodigester systems at both the Cedar Rapids and Iowa City wastewater treatment facilities to capture methane from biogas production.

Captured methane will be cleaned and injected into the natural gas grid as renewable natural gas (RNG), which will reduce reliance on non-renewable natural gas to support the activities of industries, businesses, and households within the Cedar Rapids and Iowa City communities and surrounding region. In addition, both cities plan to transport industrial waste to the wastewater treatment plants to increase biogas production, which provides an opportunity to increase RNG production and reduce additional methane gas generation by diverting waste from landfills.

ADM firmly believes this initiative will advance the U.S. EPA's mission to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, such as methane, carbon dioxide, and nitrous oxide, and anticipates the proposed projects will bring meaningful public health benefits to the Cedar Rapids and Iowa City communities. ADM looks forward to providing long-term support for the proposed projects.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brian Mullins", is written over a horizontal line.

Brian Mullins  
Plant Manager