



March 26, 2024

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RE: Southeast Sustainability Directors Network Commits to the Atlanta EV Fleet Alliance:
Accelerating Local Government Fleet Electrification in the Atlanta Metropolitan Area for
Cleaner Air and Healthier Communities project

Dear. Mr. Vazquez,

I am writing to express the Southeast Sustainability Directors Network's (SSDN) commitment to support the *Atlanta EV Fleet Alliance: Accelerating Local Government Fleet Electrification in the Atlanta Metropolitan Area for Cleaner Air and Healthier Communities* project. The *Atlanta EV Fleet Alliance* project aims to significantly lower greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) in the transportation sector by phasing out aging government vehicles, introducing zero emissions electric vehicles, and installing EV charging infrastructure in 9 localities across the Atlanta metropolitan region. Transitioning to zero-emission electric vehicles stands as a critical strategy for slashing GHG emissions within the Atlanta region and enhancing air quality for its most at-risk communities. The Atlanta EV Fleet Alliance is a coalition of nine local governments dedicated to leading by example in transition to electric vehicles, setting a standard for the community at large and paving the way for a rapid and inclusive adoption of electric vehicles across the region.

SSDN is a network of over 110 local government practitioners from a ten-state region in the South that are committed to addressing climate change in their communities. Our network supports the scaling of best practices throughout the region through peer learning, provides programs that support communities' access to federal funding, and promotes our communities' understanding of their local policy landscape. We are committed to this project because it reduces greenhouse gas emissions and provides healthier, cleaner air for everyone and specifically improves air quality in historically disadvantaged communities.

SSDN is ready to assist in the success of the Atlanta EVAlliance by committing to provide ongoing capacity building support to the local government partners, sharing EV fleet transition best practices with them from communities throughout the South and around the country, and providing decision-making guidance at the policy level to affect positive change.

Please give the Atlanta EVAlliance application the highest consideration for funding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Meg J.", is positioned above the printed name.

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Executive Director

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