



Department of Environmental Quality

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Mark Gordon, Governor

Todd Parfitt, Director

March 28, 2024

Honorable Michael Regan
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20024

Subject: Letter of Intent to Sign Rocky Mountain Hydrogen Coalition MOA for (NOFO EPA-R-OAR-CPRG-23-07) between the Colorado Department of Natural Resources and the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality.

Dear Administrator Regan:

The Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (WDEQ) submits this letter of support for the State of Colorado's coalition application entitled Rocky Mountain Hydrogen Coalition in response to EPA's Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) number EPA-R-OAR-CPRG-23-07. As a member of the coalition and as required by the NOFO, this letter signifies WDEQ's intent to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Colorado Department of Natural Resources (Colorado DNR) and the other members of the coalition.

Wyoming is an all-of-the-above energy state which recognizes many of the energy opportunities in the West cross state borders. In order to pursue the most ideal projects, Wyoming is committed to working with Colorado DNR as they pursue this coalition grant funding. The WDEQ will be a collaborative partner, supporting projects which are selected through the Colorado RFP process and are located in Wyoming. WDEQ will not be seeking any portion of the funding awarded under a grant. WDEQ notes, the EPA Subaward Policy states that EPA regulations will not apply to collaborative relationships, including those documented in a written agreement, between recipients (i.e. Colorado DNR) and third parties (i.e. WDEQ) that do not involve the transfer of assistance funds or property purchased with assistance funds.

The Colorado DNR expects to submit a final MOA no later than July 1, 2024. WDEQ will work to establish a MOA acceptable to all coalition participants. WDEQ is pleased to join Colorado DNR in this coalition application to further diversify energy production in the region. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Todd Parfitt, Director
Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality

Cc: Randall Luthi
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