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#### RE: Letter of Support for Cuyahoga County CPRG Implementation Grant Submission

Executive Ronayne,

I am writing on behalf of Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency, in support of Cuyahoga County, the City of Cleveland, and the City of Painesville's Climate Pollution Reduction Implementation Grant (CPRG) for the deployment of clean electricity and nature-based solutions, in alignment with the PCAP measures submitted by our agency for the Cleveland-Elyria Metropolitan Statistical Area.

The CPRG Implementation Grant submitted by Cuyahoga County, in coalition with the City of Cleveland and the City of Painesville, is an innovative and transformative project that will generate clean and renewable energy through brownfield development and municipal utility clean energy deployment, as well as other nature-based solutions that will dramatically reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve low-income energy burden, and improve outdoor air quality.

The Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) is the federally designated metropolitan planning organization (MPO) that conducts transportation and environmental planning for Greater Cleveland. Our organization's support will help enable this coalition to achieve success because of our experience and expertise in working across our five-county region in the creation of our PCAP. In addition, NOACA administers numerous programs and policies aimed at environmental stewardship throughout the region.

NOACA is committed to supporting the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions throughout our region through strong, sustainable partnerships and innovative solutions that reflect the public engagement we conducted in the development of the PCAP and NOACA's Long Range Plan, eNEO2050.

Sincerely,

Grace Gallucci  
Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer

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