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Dear Executive Ronayne,

I am writing this Letter of Commitment on behalf of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 38 and our Cleveland Electrical Joint Apprenticeship and Training Trust in support of the **Cuyahoga County** Climate Pollution Reduction Grant application.

The Cleveland Electrical Joint Apprenticeship and Training Trust select and train the best candidates for a wide variety of electrical construction jobs. The trade school supplies competent, well-educated journeyman workers along with continuing education classes relevant to the electrical construction industry. These workers fall under the collectively bargained agreements between the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local #38 and the National Electrical Contractors Association, Greater Cleveland Chapter.

As climate change becomes more readily apparent and renewable energy more of a need, we know that the demands on our services and labor will become greater. Solar systems will become more normal for industrial, commercial and residential sectors and as this grant application shows for local government and municipal utilities. The partnership envisioned by the municipal utilities of Cuyahoga County and the City of Cleveland from brownfields to solar fields is historic and monumental. It adds clean electricity into our grid and it offers a huge amount of work to our union members in the field.

Our Local 38 and its Cleveland Electrical Joint Apprenticeship and Training Trust specifically commit to working with Cuyahoga County and its partners and will **enter project labor agreements** to provide an expert labor force to complete this work effectively, safely and efficiently as well as provide field experiences and apprenticeship opportunities to students at our training program.

We are additionally excited because collectively these projects are in identified Justice 40 Census tracts and represent real opportunities to help disadvantaged communities reduce their energy burdens, minimize greenhouse gas footprints, and educate students in an important field of study i.e., renewable energy development.

Our participation in a partnership with Cuyahoga County in the CPRG will ensure that federal climate investments go directly to frontline communities such as the ones described above.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. V. Gallagher".

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