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Denver Regional Council of Governments  
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**RE: Letter of Support for Climate Pollution Reduction Implementation Grant (CPRG) -  
Decarbonize DRCOG Proposal**

I am writing to express my support for the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) project proposal from the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG). Their proposal is a transformative and holistic approach to regional building decarbonization, and aligns well with the Department of Law's (DOL) commitment to protecting our land, air, and water as well as compliments the DOL's efforts around workforce development.

One aspect of DRCOG's proposal involves a material investment in workforce development. In particular, the proposal involves training those in existing prison with the skills and knowledge necessary to find employment within the clean energy sector and helping facilitate their transition into living-wage employment. This work advances the Department of Law's efforts in this space.

Our partnership with the Colorado Department of Corrections has invested over one million dollars in a fair chance hiring initiative that is similarly focused on increasing employment opportunities for individuals who have completed a prison sentence and are reentering society. The Department of Law remains committed to this work and believes DRCOG's proposal is an important compliment to the existing work in this space in Colorado and looks forward to partnering with DRCOG in this work.

The DOL supports DRCOG's application and continued efforts to help Colorado reach its greenhouse gas emission targets and workforce development goals.

Sincerely,

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