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Denver Regional Council of Governments
1001 17th Street, Suite 700
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RE: Letter of Support for Climate Pollution Reduction Implementation Grant (CPRG) –
Decarbonize DRCOG Proposal

As the Electric Utility Director for Longmont Power & Communications (LPC), the City of Longmont's municipally owned electric utility, I am writing to express support for the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) project proposal presented by the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG). The "Decarbonize DRCOG" initiative encompasses a transformative and holistic approach to regional building decarbonization, which aligns with the City's Beneficial Building Electrification Plan and our commitment to achieving our own 100% renewable electric energy supply by 2030 while working in partnership with the Platte River Power Authority and our fellow owner-communities of Estes Park, Fort Collins, and Loveland, CO.

The Decarbonize DRCOG proposal helps to address Longmont's primary source of greenhouse gas emissions – the building sector. Beneficial building electrification, in conjunction with our transition to a fully renewable electric energy supply, is a key component in reaching our ambitious greenhouse gas emissions reductions goals. The CPRG funding is critical in decarbonizing our buildings in an equitable way, by prioritizing low-income households and disadvantaged communities who are least responsible for climate change yet are likely most impacted by the effects of climate change and the costs of implementing building electrification measures.

The proposal is comprehensive and transformative. It not only targets equitable building electrification but also ensures a focus on Justice40 principles, prioritizing benefits for low-income and disadvantaged communities. It will also help bring our entire region along in advancing our climate justice and greenhouse gas reduction goals. CPRG funding would allow Longmont to expand fledgling program efforts to help low-income households become more resilient to extreme heat through energy efficiency, building electrification, and health and safety measures, bringing cooling and comfort to heat vulnerable populations.

We look forward to contributing our expertise, tools, and resources to support the success of this groundbreaking initiative. Should you have any inquiries regarding our support for this funding application, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Darrell Hahn".

Darrell Hahn

Electric Utility Director