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RE: Letter of Support for Climate Pollution Reduction Implementation Grant (CPRG) - Decarbonize DRCOG Proposal

I am writing this letter on behalf of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transposition Workers (SMART) Local 9, representing unionized sheet metal workers throughout the State of Colorado, to express our support for the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) project proposal presented by the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG). The "Decarbonize DRCOG" initiative is a commendable endeavor that embodies a transformative approach to regional building decarbonization, which we firmly believe aligns with SMART's industry goals.

The comprehensive nature of the proposal is particularly impressive, as it addresses not only building retrofits and improvements but also supply chain challenges, workforce development, and market transformation. We recognize that these issues transcend municipal borders and require a collaborative, regional approach. The grant's emphasis on increasing well-paying jobs to meet the region's employment needs is particularly noteworthy and aligns with our commitment to supporting sustainable employment opportunities.

SMART Local 9 is eager to contribute our expertise and industry knowledge to support the success of the "Decarbonize DRCOG" initiative. We firmly believe that our involvement will enhance the effectiveness and impact of the project, furthering its goals of reducing climate pollution and advancing regional sustainability efforts.

Should you require any further information or have any inquiries regarding our support for this funding application, please do not hesitate to contact me at 303-922-1213 extension 213 or via email at jalvino@smw9.com.

Thank you for considering our support for the CPRG project proposal. We are confident that this initiative will bring about positive change and contribute to a more sustainable future for the Denver metropolitan region.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jon Alvino', written over a light blue horizontal line.

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