



March 28, 2024

John Weiss
Executive Director
Grand Valley Metro Council
678 Front Ave. NW, Suite 200
Grand Rapids, MI 49504

Subject: City of Grandville Clean Water Plant Support of the GVMC CPRG Implementation Grant General Competition Application, (Award Number EPA-R-OAR-CPRGI-23-07)

Dear Mr. Weiss,

We, City of Grandville Clean Water Plant, affirm our support of the Grand Valley Metro Council's (GVMC) in response to EPA-R-OAR-CPRGI-23-07. We are pleased to endorse the region's objective to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) through the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant program. Under GVMC's proposed project, the Low Income and Disadvantaged Community Energy Efficiency Revolving Fund (LIERF) and the West Michigan Solar Consortium (WMSC), the entity responsible for the LIERF, will be established.

The creation of the WMSC and the LIERF will reduce GHG emissions in the region, provide significant cost savings for our community, provide substantial community benefits in low-income and disadvantaged communities, and improve capacity and technical expertise through workforce development.

Through the CPRG grant program period, we anticipate collaborating with the GVMC to establish the WMSC, including exploring the feasibility of installing solar in our community at the City of Grandville Clean Water Plant, 15 Baldwin Street, Jenison, MI 49428.

Given the GVMC's proven success in regional collaboration, we have confidence in their ability to achieve the objectives laid out in the application. Furthermore, this initiative will stimulate increased investment in renewable energy projects critical to achieving the West Michigan's Healthy Climate Plan objectives.

Our organization's mission is sustainability while maintaining fair utility rates for our ratepayers. We have been involved in renewable energy projects in the following ways utilizing the biogas produced from our anaerobic digester in cogeneration units producing both heat and electricity as a "byproduct" of our solid waste treatment process. We have been utilizing our biogas in this method for more than 10 years.

We are enthusiastic about partnering with the State of Michigan to advance the goals of the West Michigan Healthy Climate Plan, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency through this pivotal program.

Sincerely,

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