

March 29, 2024

Executive Dow Constantine
401 Fifth Avenue, Suite 800
Seattle, WA 98104

RE: Support for King County's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Application in the
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue MSA (Accelerating Equitable Building Decarbonization throughout the
Building Lifecycle)

Dear Executive Constantine,

The Carbon Leadership Forum (CLF), supports King County's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) program. The proposal works across the building sector to decrease climate pollution, fill gaps in current state and federal programming, and increase community resilience and high-quality jobs for the most vulnerable populations in our region.

King County has committed to develop and implement programs in a collaborative way with local partners, and to leverage existing resources and programs to support embodied carbon policy. Our staff at CLF can contribute to King County's program implementation by:

- Supporting efforts for collaborative embodied carbon policy design as feasible;
- Helping to use existing communication channels to connect building sector professionals to proposed embodied carbon policies to maximize public outreach;
- Striving to support the alignment of work on embodied carbon with state, regional and Federal partners

Our staff have years of expertise in policy and programs to address embodied carbon in the public and private construction market and look forward to supporting King County advance the goals of its proposed embodied carbon program.

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