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Executive Dow Constantine  
King County  
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:

On behalf of Snohomish County, I am writing to express enthusiastic support for King County's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) program. The proposal works collaboratively to decarbonize the building sector, fill gaps in current state and federal programming, and increase community resilience and high-quality jobs for the most vulnerable populations in our region. Climate pollution from the building sector is growing at a faster rate than any other source in Washington and this proposal addresses this trend by its focus on transitioning fossil fuel systems in buildings to clean electric heating systems.

King County has a strong track record of working with its planning partners to implement programs that benefit the region and commits to a collaborative process for this CPRG program. Snohomish County staff commit to supporting this work through the life of the grant by working with King County, other municipalities, and the program implementation teams to:

- Connect program staff and project teams to Snohomish County multifamily and small commercial incentive programs to maximize energy efficiency;
- Help use existing channels to connect building owners across our service territory to these programs to maximize uptake and are equitably distributed; and
- Help coordinate with existing state and federal funding programs.

Snohomish County staff have decades of expertise in managing programs to reduce energy and emissions in multifamily and small commercial buildings that can inform successful implementation of these proposed programs. Further, Snohomish County is committed to helping ensure benefits accrue to low-income and disadvantaged communities (LIDACs) and implementation maximizes equity outcomes in our service territory.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to the opportunity to contribute actively to the success of this collaborative effort.

Sincerely,



Dave Somers  
Snohomish County Executive