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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,

On behalf of the Climate Careers Coalition (C3), a public-private partnership designed to support the equitable and innovative distribution of workforce development resources connected to climate initiatives and clean energy deployment, we are pleased to enthusiastically offer our support for King County's application for the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG). C3 is a strategic collaboration among public and private organizations and frontline communities to establish an inclusive and prosperous green workforce.

C3 has developed an innovative model of community-based power sharing and consultation paired with intersectoral collaboration across community-based organizations, educational institutions, labor partners, employers, and government organizations focused on creating lasting workforce development impacts tied to adapting and mitigating the effects of climate change. Collaborating with King County on this grant aligns with our mission and vision for service to frontline communities.

As the staff of the founding organizations, King County, the Port of Seattle, and the City of Seattle Office of Economic Development are committed to ensuring that C3 acts as a tangible and substantive support and collaborative resource for the implementation of the workforce development actions associated with CPRG grant funding including:

- Facilitating high-quality paid work-based learning opportunities associated with this grant's decarbonization projects within frontline communities affected by climate change in King, Pierce, Snohomish, and Kitsap counties.
- Consulting and supporting the development of locally relevant workforce development partnerships in the surrounding counties to ensure high-quality program delivery and wraparound services connected to career building in decarbonization-relevant fields such as solar and HVAC.
- Connecting members of frontline communities participating in projects to "high road" career opportunities in key decarbonization sectors through employment partnerships and apprenticeships.

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