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Phil Roos
Director
Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy
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Subject: Michigan EIBC Support the State of Michigan's CPRG Implementation Grant General Competition Application, (Award Number EPA-R-OAR-CPRGI-23-07)

Dear Director Roos,

We, Michigan Energy Innovation Business Council (Michigan EIBC) affirm our partnership with the State of Michigan and the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) in response to EPA-R-OAR-CPRGI-23-07. We are pleased to endorse Michigan's objective to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and ambitiously site renewable energy in Michigan through the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant program. Under EGLE's proposed Renewables Ready Communities Program, the Renewables Ready Communities Awards and the Brownfield Renewable Energy Pilot Program will unlock significant GHG emissions in the near term, provide substantial community benefits in low-income and disadvantaged communities, and improve capacity and technical expertise in renewable energy siting statewide.

Through CPRG grant program period, we anticipate collaborating with the State to encourage members to submit proposals for the Renewable Ready Communities Award program, Brownfield Renewable Energy Pilot Program, provide support to the Renewable Energy Academy. To help ensure these goals are met, our commitment extends to offering support by continuing our collaboration with EGLE's State Energy Office and Office of Climate and Energy to support state and federally funded program development.

Given the State's proven success in implementing equitable climate policies, we have full 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 State's climate objectives.

Michigan EIBC's mission is to grow Michigan's advanced energy economy by fostering opportunities for innovation and business growth and offering a unified voice in creating a business-friendly environment for the advanced energy industry in Michigan. Michigan EIBC represents a wide range of energy industries, including, but not limited to, the renewable energy and energy storage sectors.

We are enthusiastic about partnering with the State of Michigan to advance the goals of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency through this pivotal program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Laura S. Sherman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Laura" being more prominent.

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