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Katrina Kessler, Commissioner  
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency  
520 Lafayette Road  
Saint Paul, MN 55155

*Subject: Ecolibrium3 Support of the State Minnesota's CPRG Coalition Proposal for Equitable Residential Decarbonization (Award Number EPA-R-OAR-CPRGI-23-07)*

Dear Commissioner Kessler,

I write to affirm that Ecolibrium3 plans to partner with the State of Minnesota and the City of Duluth to implement the suite of equitable residential decarbonization programs in your agency's proposal.

We anticipate participating in the proposed work through active engagement in developing and refining programming to effectively deliver on the purpose of ensuring low-income and disadvantaged communities are centered and prioritized in the work of decarbonizing all homes in Minnesota. At a minimum, this means we will:

- actively participate in the four annual convenings described in the proposal,
- share information and resources from state and local government into the communities we serve to build awareness about programs and home decarbonization opportunities,
- share information from the communities we serve to state program staff and relevant local government staff as part of program development and to improve programming and results over time.
- Contribute in specific ways that emerge out of the development of the proposed work and make sense for our organization.

Ecolibrium3 is excited to partner in this equitable residential decarbonization work because it aligns with our mission. Our mission is to lead and inspire change in our community toward an equitable and sustainable future. In particular, our organization can bring the perspective of our J40 frontline neighborhood and expertise in community engagement, community-scale energy transition programs, and effective energy technology adoption in a very cold climate.

We are excited to have this proposal moving forward as a coalition because we see the work of residential decarbonization working most effectively as a collaboration between state and local governments. Local government connects more effectively with individual community members to move forward on individual implementation while state government can more effectively provide backbone support and programming to foster learning and scale impact.

We have worked with the City of Duluth, who is a coalition partner in the proposal. We have partnered on important projects like modeling all residential properties with NREL through the DOE C-LEAP program, advancing the analysis and design of a new renewably-based district energy system in our neighborhood, and advancing community resilience through solar and storage planning. We are committed to continuing and growing this partnership through the work of implementing the CPRG proposal.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jodi Slick". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Jodi" and last name "Slick" clearly distinguishable.

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