

March 15, 2024

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

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

Dear Commissioner Kessler,

As outlined in the State of Minnesota's CPRG Coalition Proposal for Equitable Residential Decarbonization, the Minnesota Department of Administration (Admin) will partner with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and other state agencies to implement a suite of equitable residential decarbonization programs as outlined in the proposal reference above.

Admin has been involved in developing proposal initiatives where we will lead decarbonization efforts in state-owned buildings where people are housed. Our focus will be on Correctional Facilities, State Hospitals, and Veterans Homes — settings where we believe greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs) can be reduced by 50-80% in a cost-effective manner.

This initiative promises to enhance living conditions within these facilities, offering residents better conditioned spaces and improved air quality, as well as provide the state with significant operational cost savings.

We support the full proposal to advance equitable residential decarbonization. The planned programs under this proposal will create meaningful reductions in GHGs, improve living conditions, and bolster Minnesota's clean energy economy. Most importantly, it will demonstrate to others how decarbonization can be implemented effectively and equitably.

Sincerely,



Tamar Gronvall, Commissioner
Department of Administration