



April 1, 2024

U.S Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W.
Washington, DC 20004

Re: Letter of Intent for New York City Department of Transportation Environmental Protection Agency Climate Pollution Reduction Grants:

Implementation Program *FREIGHT 2030*: Facilitating Regional Equity by Implementing Green Healthy Transportation, FY 2024

To Whom it May Concern:

On behalf of the New York City Economic Development Corporation ("NYCEDC") I am pleased to write this letter of intent as a participant in the coalition applying to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grants: Implementation Program (CPRG-I) for funding for the *FREIGHT 2030*: Facilitating Regional Equity by Implementing Green Healthy Transportation, led by the New York City Department of Transportation (DOT), together with the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (PANYNJ). As the lead applicant, DOT will be responsible for overall project management and grant administration, including budget oversight and reporting. Additionally, DOT will oversee the grant, in compliance with the EPA's federal grant guidelines and reporting requirements. I am writing to express NYCEDC's enthusiastic intent to sign the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for this coalition application before receiving an award. The MOA will be submitted by DOT by July 1, 2024.

NYCEDC is a highly committed coalition member in this project and will collaborate with DOT and the PANYNJ to execute and manage the project. We will specifically oversee Blue Highway site activation to expand New York City's network for low-emission, second and last-mile freight delivery by water. As a coalition member, NYCEDC will be a subrecipient of CPRG-I grant funds from DOT and will comply with all EPA rules and regulations regarding the use of federal funds and complete the project in alignment with program requirements and the period of performance. All parties will adhere to all relevant federal, state, and local regulations, as well as the EPA's grant-specific terms and conditions.

NYCEDC is a nonprofit corporation whose mission is: "Creating a vibrant, inclusive and globally competitive economy for all New Yorkers." The City retains NYCEDC to engage in various activities intended to promote the economic development of the City's waterfront

property and related transportation facilities, including overseeing New York City's ferry system (NYC Ferry) and cruise terminals (NYC Cruise) and the South Brooklyn Marine Terminal a 75-acre site that is being transformed into one of the country's largest offshore wind ports. This project is part of NYCEDC's broader strategy to advance a just transition away from fossil fuels and towards an inclusive green economy and active, low-emission blue highways.

We look forward to collaborating with the coalition to advance a suite of actions that will significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions across the New York/New Jersey metro region's freight sector and transform the region's streets into cleaner, healthier, and equitable communities.

Sincerely,



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