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Dear Ms. Schapira:

My name is Rebecca Yurkovich and I serve as the Sustainability and Resilience Manager in the Delaware County Office of Sustainability. I am writing to extend my support to the Philadelphia Energy Authority as it pursues funding from the EPA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program, which is designed to enable states, municipalities, tribes, and territories to 1) implement ambitious measures that will achieve significant cumulative GHG reductions by 2030 and beyond, 2) pursue measures that will achieve substantial community benefits in low-income and disadvantaged communities, 3) complement other funding sources to maximize GHG reductions and community benefits, and 4) pursue innovative policies and programs that are replicable and can be scaled up across multiple jurisdictions.

This program closely aligns with the Delaware County Office of Sustainability's mission (DCOS) of making Delaware County and its operations more sustainable and resilient to the effects of climate change. In August 2023, DCOS released its first-ever sustainability plan, [Sustain Delco: A Sustainability Plan for Delaware County](#) which outlines the County's commitment to sustainability and the reduction of GHG by establishing goals, targets, and over 290 actions to put Delaware County and its residents on a more sustainable path.

To support the goals and actions identified in the Sustain Delco, as well as those identified in the EPA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program, we intend to participate in or directly assist in the design and performance of the installation of Electric Vehicle (EV) Chargers at the Fair Acres Campus in Middletown Township, Delaware County. The County currently has a fleet of 46 electric vehicles which are currently being serviced by only six dual-port charging station. With the lack of available infrastructure, gas-powered vehicles are continuing to be preferred and utilized over the EV options. The

completion of this project will allow for the existing charging needs to be met, allowing for full utilization of the County's existing EVs. This project will serve to reduce localized air pollution and GHG produced by the County's fleet, which serves over 576,000 residents 95,000 of which reside in Environmental Justice communities. This project will complement leverage the existing fleet which was purchased utilizing Alternative Fuel Incentive Grant Funds.

We look forward to playing a role in helping to reduce greenhouse gas emissions across Southeastern Pennsylvania with the goal of protecting human health and the environment as part of this transformative opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Rebecca Yurkovich". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Rebecca" written in a more compact, looped style and the last name "Yurkovich" written in a more extended, flowing style.

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