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Environmental Protection Agency,

I am writing on behalf of St. Paul Steamfitters/Pipefitters Local 455 in support of the City of Saint Paul's Clean Heat proposal to utilize waste heat from the state largest wastewater treatment to supply heat for the nation's largest hot water district energy system. This project will reduce emissions in Saint Paul, reduce price volatility for District Energy Saint Paul customers, and the construction project will mean good-paying jobs for Local 455 members. Local 455 members want to be a part of the energy transition, and we support this creative approach to providing affordable, stable, and clean thermal energy to the 33 million square feet of downtown buildings that are served by District Energy.

District Energy Saint Paul, the City of Saint Paul, and Ramsey County Workforce Solutions are great partners to the Saint Paul Building Trades and our members, and we look forward to continuing to work with them to create pathways into union apprenticeships for Saint Paul residents.

Sincerely,

Tony Poole
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