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**Letter of Support for Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario Metro Service Area (MSA) CPRG Implementation Grant Application**

Dear Mr. Joshua Lee

The Inland Empire Desert Regional Consortium (IEDRC) is pleased to support the Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario Metro Area's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application. The application is led by the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority / San Bernardino Council of Governments (SBCTA/SBCOG), in coalition with the Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) and the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) to achieve significant greenhouse gas emission reductions while delivering community benefits, particularly to the region's most vulnerable communities.

The IEDRC is a collective of workforce education and training providers led by the community colleges in Riverside and San Bernardino counties, including K-12, community college career and technical education and not-for-credit administrators, faculty, and staff. The IEDRC is supported through funding provided by the California Community Colleges' Chancellor's Office.

The mission of the Inland Empire/Desert Regional Consortium is to enhance its stakeholders' workforce missions through communication, coordination, collaboration, and provision of resources. The IEDRC staff infrastructure supports the missions of the region's 12 community colleges by providing additional capacity to implement activities and projects. Staff roles are specifically directed toward assisting with K-12 connections to community colleges, establishing and maintaining employer partnerships, facilitating student job placement, providing industry sector expertise to the field, and managing communication and marketing efforts.

The IEDRC has an existing partnership with the Inland Regional Energy Network (I-REN) and its respective Workforce Education & Training (WE&T) Sector initiatives. The CPRG grant is aligned with- and an extension of- existing energy sector projects, outreach and collaboration within the Consortium's funded model.

In partnership,

Lori Sanchez  
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