



Letters Of Support for INVEST CLEAN
Climate Pollution Reduction Grant,
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3/29/2024

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Re: Support for the Climate Pollution Reductions Grant regional proposal led by South Coast Air Quality Management District, Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN)

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the undersigned organizations, we write to express our support for the regional application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) entitled, "INVEST CLEAN," for a Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA). Our organizations represent hundreds and thousands of members and supporters who live, work, and impacted by climate and air pollution from goods movement every day. Diesel trucks, locomotives, and 24-hour operations of cargo handling equipment plague our neighborhoods with unhealthful air emissions and toxics, noise, and light pollution affecting our nearby homes, schools, and community centers including churches and parks. We believe INVEST CLEAN will address climate equity and environmental justice issues, in concert with the transition to zero-emissions goods movement in the Los Angeles - Long Beach - Anaheim and Riverside - San Bernardino - Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs).

INVEST CLEAN is aligned with Justice40 principles, which requires 40% of the benefits from this proposal's activities to flow to low-income disadvantaged communities. We acknowledge the work South Coast AQMD and partners have done to engage and receive input from our groups on potential project benefits, community engagement proposals, and zero-emission infrastructure criteria to ensure the transition to zero-emission goods movement is equitable and seeks to address longstanding environmental justice issues. We believe INVEST CLEAN will provide an opportunity to train and hire local workforce, create green space, implement air purification projects, support clean mobility, and other local community benefits. We are also supportive of implementation opportunities that will bring clean air from industry practices nearby our communities.

In a region where approximately 30% of all goods for the country come through the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, and over a billion square feet of warehousing is built in the Inland Empire, climate pollution is a crisis we need to solve while addressing longstanding equity issues such as air pollution and toxics, workforce training and high-road job creation, and quality of life. Our organizations are centered around solutions that impact residents impacted from truck traffic, warehousing operations, and 24/7 railyards and locomotive emissions, that cause cumulative pollution in our neighborhoods. From Harbor Communities like Long Beach to the Inland Valley in San Bernardino and Coachella, as the dot.com industry has grown, air pollution from goods movement has impacted our health and livelihoods, reinforcing environmental and social inequities.

We look forward to upholding SCAQMD's responsibility to implement strong community benefits alongside freight zero emission electrification of transportation in our region. The district's leadership along with our community based programs will provide a strong backbone to support the transformation of the Southern California's goods movement corridor to zero-emission technologies with a focus on community benefits and workforce development to support climate equity, clean air, and to improve health outcomes and quality of life for our residents.

We support U.S. EPA awarding INVEST CLEAN through CPRG and look forward to implementing this proposal together.

Sincerely,

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March 28, 2024

Letter of Support –INVEST Clean Project

Dear U.S. Environmental Protection Agency,



Reach Out is proud to provide this letter of support for the initiative spearheaded by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) to apply for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG). As a stalwart in our community, Reach Out firmly believes in the importance of collaborative efforts to address climate change and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Additionally, investing in incentives to support the zero-emissions transformation of the goods movement corridor is a crucial step towards achieving our sustainability goals while also fostering economic growth.

The CPRG, established under the Inflation Reduction Act, presents a significant opportunity to catalyze impactful change in the Los Angeles – Long Beach – Anaheim and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs). I commend South Coast AQMD for leading this initiative, which aims to secure funding to support the zero-emissions transformation of the Southern California goods movement corridor.

Transportation accounts for a significant portion of greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution in our region, making it imperative that we accelerate the transition to zero-emission technologies.

In conclusion, Reach Out wholeheartedly endorses South Coast AQMD's application for the CPRG and believes that this initiative has the potential to catalyze transformative change in our region. I am confident that with your support, we can create a cleaner, healthier, and more prosperous future for Southern California.

Thank you for considering this letter of support. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information or assistance.

Sincerely,

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March 28th, 2024

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Re: Support for South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

We write in strong support of the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). This application is complementary to California's climate and air pollution reduction goals and supports local, state, and national economic growth related to the goods movement.

The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation's, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and support from the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA).

The Southern California goods movement corridor is the western gateway to the U.S. supply chain and international commerce, including critical parts of the National Highway Freight Network (NHFN), the busiest U.S. marine ports in the nation, major intermodal centers, and warehouses. The Southern California goods movement corridor is essential for the strength of the national economy; however, the environmental costs are borne solely by our residents in the form of heightened climate impacts, air pollution, and health impacts. Roughly 50% of greenhouse gas emissions are related to transportation and off-road equipment in the Los Angeles – Long Beach – Anaheim and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario MSAs. Goods movement related mobile sources are responsible for approximately 80% of the unhealthy air pollution in the two MSAs.

Our communities, totaling nearly 18 million residents, are impacted by drought, extreme heat, year-round wildfires, and floods and home to more than two-thirds of California's environmental justice communities which are disproportionately impacted by climate change. Further, the majority of the MSAs population is living in areas classified under the Clean Air Act as extreme nonattainment for ozone and serious nonattainment for PM2.5. Currently pending issues related to nonattainment of the Clean Air Act may trigger sanctions including increased costs for local businesses, withholding of federal highway funds, and a federal implementation plan. Climate impacts and air pollution significantly impact the quality of life for our constituents, including increased risks of mortality, acute and chronic illnesses, lost wages and school days, and other long-term environmental and economic consequences.

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor to zero-emission technologies from the Coast, through the Inland Valley, to California's border to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, criteria pollutants, and air toxics. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents, in coordination with existing efforts, while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

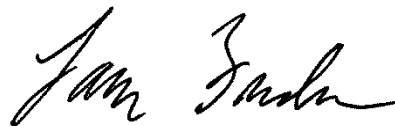
INVEST CLEAN will drive innovative and sustainable changes within the goods movement industry, a major source of greenhouse gas emissions in Southern California. These efforts will foster economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S. made vehicles and equipment. Furthermore, it will serve as a catalyst for nationwide improvements in goods movement by establishing a blueprint and leveraging economies of scale.

We support the Los Angeles – Long Beach – Anaheim and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario MSAs and request U.S. EPA to fund INVEST CLEAN for the zero-emission transformation of the Southern California goods movement corridor.

Sincerely,

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Eloise Gómez Reyes
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March 25, 2024

Re: Support for South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

We write in strong support of the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). This application is complementary to California's climate and air pollution reduction goals as well as support local, state, and national economic growth related to goods movement.

The Southern California goods movement corridor is the Western Gateway to the U.S. Supply Chain and international commerce including critical parts of the National Highway Freight Network (NHFN) and the busiest U.S. marine ports in the nation, major intermodal centers, and warehousing locations, and other facilities. The Southern California goods movement corridor is essential for the strength of the national economy; however, the environmental costs are borne solely by our residents in the form of heightened climate impacts, air pollution, and health impacts. Over 48% and 53.8% of greenhouse gas emissions are related to transportation and off-road equipment in the Los Angeles – Long Beach – Anaheim and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario MSAs. Goods movement related mobile sources are responsible for approximately 80% of the unhealthy air pollution in the two MSAs.

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor to zero-emission technologies from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border reduce greenhouse gas emissions, criteria pollutants and air toxics. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

For these reasons, I urge South Coast Air Quality Management District to be awarded the regional Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program. If you have any questions, please contact my office at (916) 651 -4034.

Sincerely,

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Senator Thomas Umberg,



Mayor Karen Bass

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LA County Chief Sustainability Office
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March 30, 2024

Subject: Letter of Support for CPRG applications – Metro Transit Coalition, INVEST CLEAN, and Clean Climate Schools Program

Dear Review Committee,

On behalf of the undersigned member agencies of the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim MSA Priority Climate Action Plan Steering Committee, we write to express our strong support for the following Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) implementation grant applications from the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim MSA:

- The **Metro Transit Coalition to Reduce Climate Pollution for the Olympics and Beyond**
- The **Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN)**
- The **Clean Climate Schools Program**

Each of these programs would employ transformative approaches to decarbonize key sectors, reduce air pollution, invest in historically marginalized communities, improve the overall quality of life in the region, and be a catalyst and model for national climate innovation and change.

With 13 million residents and \$1.2 trillion in output the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim MSA has a population and economy greater than all but four states. It also is highly vulnerable to the impacts of climate change, has some of the worst air quality in the nation, and has the majority of the low-income and disadvantaged communities in California. A large share of jurisdictions in the MSA have enacted climate action, adaptation, and sustainability plans that contain innovative strategies and measures to reduce emissions, prepare for the unavoidable impacts of climate change, and improve health, overall quality of life, and equity in the region. Unfortunately, the available local and state funding falls far short of the funding needed to implement these plans and achieve their full potential.

Through the PCAP process the MSA collaboratively developed priority measures and strategies that could accelerate decarbonization of the transportation, energy, and waste sectors. Each of these three

applications aligns closely with multiple measures included in the PCAP and the overarching priorities and objectives of CPRG.

INVEST CLEAN and the **Metro Transit Coalition** both include innovative approaches to decarbonize the transportation sector, which is the largest single emitter of regional and state climate emissions:

- **INVEST CLEAN** is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California Goods movement corridor from the Coast to the California border to zero emissions technologies. It will involve strong partnerships and collaboration between an array of local and regional agencies, the State of California, and labor and community participants. This concentrated investment in zero emissions vehicles and infrastructure in the nation's premiere international trade gateway will be a catalyst for reducing local and regional climate and air quality emissions, scaling zero emissions goods movement technologies and infrastructure that can be implemented throughout the national supply chain, and foster economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S. made vehicles and equipment. It will also uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program and make direct investments into low-income and disadvantaged communities that are most impacted by goods movement.
- **The Metro Transit Coalition to Reduce Climate Pollution for the Olympics and Beyond** suite of mobility projects will build on and accelerate the region's ongoing, ambitious investments and commitment to transportation sustainability and climate pollution reduction at the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games and beyond. It will deliver high-quality, zero-emission public transit, walking, and rolling transportation choices that will reduce emissions in the near- and long-term, increase mobility and access to opportunity, advance environmental stewardship, and prioritize equity. In addition to the climate pollution and mobility benefits the proposal will also improve air quality and health outcomes. In particular, the combination of improved mobility and health outcomes will benefit low-income and disadvantaged communities that are disproportionately impacted by lack of high-quality transportation choices and heightened exposure to air pollution.

Retrofitting existing buildings, which represent the vast majority of the regional building stock, is critical for successfully reducing emissions from the building sector and achieving a range of other important benefits:

- **The Clean Climate Schools Program** will make energy efficiency improvements and implement decarbonization measures in school facilities located in low-income and disadvantaged communities. In addition to lowering climate pollution, energy efficiency improvements will lead to a more comfortable and productive learning environment and reduce energy costs, enabling schools to invest more resources directly into education. It will also invest in on-site renewable energy generation and storage, electric buses and bus charging infrastructure, and passenger EV charging available to the broader community. Collectively these investments will lead to a higher quality environment for students, more resilient schools, and given the central role schools have in our society, improve the overall resilience of communities.

The Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim MSA PCAP built on the foundation of local climate planning efforts throughout the region to identify shovel-ready strategies and measures that are in place but lack the funding needed to achieve their full potential. Each of these three applications include

transformative approaches to accelerate emissions reductions, benefit our most vulnerable communities, and be a replicable model for climate action nationally.

We appreciate your consideration of these projects and the tremendous amount of work and dedication that has gone into this program.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Ryan Wolfe, Manager of Sustainable and Resilient Development, at (760) 707-7019 or email wolfe@scag.ca.gov.

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March 21, 2024

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Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority/San Bernardino Council of Governments (SBCTA/SBCOG), Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG), and Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG), we write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The INVEST CLEAN Project (Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness) aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for two Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs): Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County MSA and the Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario MSA, as well as the State of California. This is a unique opportunity for EPA to help the South Coast Air Basin clean up mobile sources for which the federal government bears substantial responsibility in our quest to attain the federal PM 2.5 and ozone standards.

The Inland Empire (I.E.) is home to one of the largest logistics hubs in the U.S., with over 500 million square feet of industrial square footage, an extensive interstate highway and freight rail network, and multiple intermodal facilities. The I.E. contains over 60 percent of the larger industrial/distribution buildings (over 150,000 square feet in size) in the six-county Southern California region. This means that the I.E. is an excellent place to efficiently invest CPRG funding to accelerate the transition to zero-emission trucks and the full range of zero-emission cargo-handling equipment needed to operate these major facilities. Dealing with larger facilities and a concentration of industrial property owners and fleet operators will enable more economies of scale, in terms of benefit per dollar invested by EPA. This, in turn, will bring significant improvement in air quality to the many disadvantaged communities within our region.

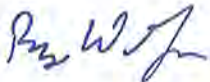
INVEST CLEAN will foster economic resilience and community well-being in this vital logistics hub by investing in electric and hydrogen-powered trucks and the accompanying charging and fueling infrastructure along key transportation corridors, such as Interstates 10 and 15. The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) has noted that half of all Americans exposed to PM 2.5 pollution exceeding the national standard reside in the SCAG region.

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement supply chain to zero-emission technologies. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift communities through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into implementable projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the air quality impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents, building on existing efforts, while also significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

INVEST CLEAN will drive innovative and sustainable changes within the goods movement industry, a major source of greenhouse gas emissions in Southern California. These efforts will foster economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S. made vehicles and equipment. Furthermore, it will serve as a catalyst for nationwide improvements in goods movement by establishing a blueprint and leveraging economies of scale.

We earnestly advocate for the U.S. EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact us for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Sincerely,



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RE: Support for the INVEST CLEAN application under the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

I am writing on behalf of the California Air Resources Board (CARB) in support of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) regional application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with California's Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP). Further, it is well aligned with the State's climate and clean air leadership.

California has been a leader in cleaning the air and the fight against climate change for decades. Most recently, California passed Assembly Bill 1279 (AB 1279) (Muratsuchi, Chapter 337, Statutes of 2022).¹ This bill establishes the State's science-based policy to reduce anthropogenic greenhouse gas emission (GHGs) and achieve carbon neutrality by 2045. This transition will require a historic rate of clean technology production, deployment, rapid consumer adoption, and coordination across all levels of government, while ensuring affordability and maximizing myriad co-benefits. CARB's 2022 Scoping Plan Update² lays out the sector-by-sector, technologically feasible, and cost-effective path for California to achieve the mandates in AB 1279 and highlights how increased climate ambition can address persistent air pollution and opportunity gaps faced by low-income communities and communities of color.

INVEST CLEAN is a strong example of local action aligned with the State's climate ambition and designed to help reduce harmful air pollution. It will drive the zero-emissions transformation of the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to the California-Arizona border to address climate, air quality, and environmental justice issues while supporting economic growth and job creation.

The Southern California goods movement corridor is the Western Gateway to the U.S. Supply Chain and international commerce including critical parts of the National Highway Freight Network (NHFN) and the busiest U.S. marine ports in the nation, major intermodal

¹ Available online at: https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB1279

² Available online at: <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/resources/documents/2022-scoping-plan-documents>

centers, and warehousing locations, and other facilities. The Southern California goods movement corridor is essential for the strength of the national economy; however, the environmental costs are borne solely by our residents in the form of heightened climate impacts, air pollution, and health impacts. Transportation and off-road equipment are overwhelming sources of greenhouse gases in the Los Angeles - Long Beach - Anaheim and Riverside - San Bernardino - Ontario MSAs. Goods movement related mobile sources are responsible for the vast majority of unhealthy air pollution in the two MSAs.

There are approximately 18 million residents in the two MSAs impacted by drought, extreme heat, year-round wildfires, and floods. It is home to over two-thirds of California's environmental justice communities who are disproportionately impacted by climate change. Further, the majority of the MSAs population are living in areas classified under the Clean Air Act as extreme nonattainment for ozone and serious nonattainment for PM2.5. Currently pending issues related to nonattainment of the Clean Air Act may trigger sanctions including increased costs for local businesses, withholding of federal highway funds, and a federal implementation plan. Climate impacts and air pollution significantly impact the quality of life for South Coast constituents' increasing risks of mortality, acute and chronic illnesses, lost wages, and school days, and other long-term environmental and economic consequences.

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor to zero-emission technologies from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border, and will reduce greenhouse gas emissions, criteria pollutants and air toxics. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world large-scale deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

INVEST CLEAN will provide benefits beyond California by driving sustainability in the goods movement industry and fostering economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S. made vehicles and equipment. Additionally, South Coast AQMD is partnering with the National Renewable Energy Laboratory to verify project emissions data and summarize best practices for infrastructure implementation to serve as a catalyst for nationwide deployment.

INVEST CLEAN is also supportive of U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation's, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and implements measures from the PCAPs for Los Angeles - Long Beach - Orange County and Riverside - San Bernardino - Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA).

CARB is supportive of U.S. EPA funding INVEST CLEAN to transform the Southern California goods movement corridor to zero-emissions, clean air technologies that will support economic growth and preserve good paying jobs while addressing deep rooted air pollution and climate issues that affect the health and safety of many of California's communities.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact International Advisor Sarah Jo Szambelan, at SarahJo.Szambelan@arb.ca.gov.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Steven S. Cliff, Ph.D., Executive Officer

cc: without enclosures

Edie Chang, Deputy Executive Officer, Planning, Freight and Toxics

Rajinder Sahota, Deputy Executive Officer, Climate Change and Research

Sydney Vergis, Ph.D., Deputy Executive Officer, Mobile Sources and Incentives



KATY YAROSLAVSKY

COUNCILWOMAN, FIFTH DISTRICT

March 29, 2024

The Honorable Michael Regan
Administrator
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20004

RE: Support for Three CPRG Implementation Grant Applications in Los Angeles

Dear Administrator Regan:

As the Chair of the City of Los Angeles's Energy & Environment Committee and as a member of the LA Metro Board of Directors, I write to express my strong support for the following three Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) implementation grant applications from the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim MSA: the Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN); the Metro Transit Coalition to Reduce Climate Pollution for the Olympics and Beyond; and the Clean Climate Schools Program. Each of these programs would employ transformative approaches to decarbonize key sectors, reduce air pollution, invest in historically marginalized communities, improve the overall quality of life in the region, and be a catalyst and model for national climate innovation and change.

I am a strong believer in regional collaboration and multi-jurisdictional solutions to solve our environmental and climate issues. Through the Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP) process, the MSA collaboratively developed priority measures and strategies that could accelerate decarbonization of the transportation, energy, and waste sectors. These three applications align closely with multiple measures included in the PCAP and the overarching priorities of CPRG.

Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) – \$500 million



The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals and the "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." Led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District, this is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community partners. This project is supported by the PCAPs for the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Orange County and Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario MSAs as well as the State of California. INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at accelerating the transition to zero-emissions technologies along the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, through the Inland Valley to California's border. This project will ensure the corridor has adequate charging infrastructure, reduce the cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and support the deployment of zero-emission technologies.

Furthermore, it will serve as a catalyst for nationwide improvements in goods movement by establishing a blueprint and leveraging economies of scale.

INVEST CLEAN is designed to provide significant community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects creating an innovative program to mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

Metro Transit Coalition to Reduce Climate Pollution for the 2028 Olympics and Beyond – \$500 million

This project would eliminate transportation emissions and benefit the Los Angeles region's long-term sustainable mobility future. The scope includes zero-emission vehicle infrastructure and investments in clean transportation initiatives, such as bus-only lanes, regional rail, first/last-mile improvements, and mobility hubs. Altogether, this project would create long-term benefits by enhancing mobility, increasing access to opportunity, advancing environmental stewardship, and prioritizing equity while being timely to help Los Angeles welcome millions of athletes, spectators, and dignitaries from across the country and the world for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Clean Schools Program – \$49.9 million

The Clean Schools Program entails a suite of climate pollution reduction measures that will transformatively improve schools located in low income and disadvantaged communities in the Counties of Los Angeles and Orange. The program is designed to satisfy unmet needs of schools in low air quality index corridors to reduce carbon footprint and air pollution, resulting in climate resiliency for schools and surrounding communities, and increase student's academic achievement capabilities and school attendance by decreasing adverse pollutant-induced health impacts.

For these reasons, I ask for your support of these three critical, complementary applications. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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KATY YAROSLAVSKY
Councilwoman, Fifth Council District

cc: Nancy Sutley, City of Los Angeles
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March 26, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Mr. Nastri,

On behalf of the Ontario City Council, I write to express support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District. The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with EPA's goals.

It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

As the hub of Southern California's Global Gateway, Ontario augments its strategic location with superior transportation resources that provide ideal access to the region, the nation, and the world. Ontario also provides strategic access to the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach through its interconnected freeway and rail system. INVEST CLEAN will drive innovative and sustainable changes within the goods movement industry, a major source of greenhouse gas emissions in the region.

The City of Ontario recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

Sincerely,

Paul S. Leon
Mayor



JEFF LEVINSON
INTERIM EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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March 21, 2024

The Honorable Michael Regan
Administrator
Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Dear Administrator Regan,

We are writing to express support for the South Coast Air Quality Management District's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application. The County of Los Angeles (County), as part of the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) received a \$1 million planning grant to develop a Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP) to address greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. Over the past nine months, a steering committee comprised of several regional agencies within the MSA worked to complete and submit a compliant PCAP to the United States Environmental Protection Agency, thereby making our MSA eligible for \$4.6 billion in CPRG implementation grant funding. In an effort to bring more resources to our region, the steering committee is finalizing three project proposals under the CPRG program. Our Board approved a [motion](#) on March 19, 2024, to support this application.


Reducing Emissions from Goods Movement is a project led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District, in partnership with the County, the City of Los Angeles, the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, and Metro, to administer a grant program to fund zero-emissions projects related to goods movement in Los Angeles and Orange Counties. The project would fund projects such as zero emissions fueling infrastructure, heavy duty trucks, first- and last-mile freight solutions, transportation refrigeration units, distribution center electrification, and other related projects.

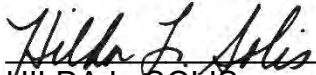
It is crucial that the County develop and implement proposals that will help the region meet its sustainability goals, including reducing GHG emissions and improving local air quality. This CPRG program application proposal is an opportunity for the region to address the negative impacts of climate change while improving the health of County residents, particularly in environmental justice communities.

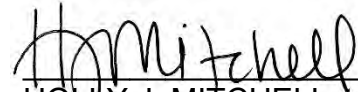
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Thank you for your leadership on this important matter.

Sincerely,


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Supervisor, Second District


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Supervisor, Fourth District


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Supervisor, Fifth District

c: Wayne Nastri, Executive Director, South Coast Air Quality Management District



March 24, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast AQMD CPRG Grant Application - INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

The Fontana City Council is dedicated to supporting policies and initiatives that safeguard our environment, foster the creation of new jobs, while ensuring the uninterrupted flow of goods movement essential for our regional and national economic growth. We wholeheartedly support the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application, led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD).

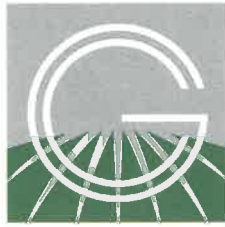
INVEST CLEAN, recognized as the Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness, perfectly aligns with the ambitious CPRG objectives, Justice40 initiative, and the "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." This initiative is geared towards transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor to embrace zero-emission technologies.

INVEST CLEAN tackles obstacles such as insufficient charging infrastructure and the high costs associated with zero-emission vehicles. It places significant emphasis on workforce training and community engagement, aiming to alleviate the impact of goods movement on vulnerable residents while substantially reducing greenhouse gas emissions. This initiative is poised to instigate sustainable shifts within the goods movement industry, fostering economic expansion and supporting U.S. manufacturing. Moreover, it strives to establish a nationwide framework for emissions reduction while capitalizing on economies of scale.

The city acknowledges the pivotal role of this project in emission reduction, air quality enhancement, and the creation of employment opportunities. We wholeheartedly support this endeavor and respectfully ask the EPA to lend its support to INVEST CLEAN. We appreciate your time and consideration. Please do not hesitate to contact my office should you have any inquiries. I eagerly anticipate our collaboration in the future.

Sincerely,

ACQUANETTA WARREN
Mayor of the City of Fontana



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Wayne Nastri
Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

Support for Regional Climate Pollution Reduction Grant application led by South Coast Air Quality Management District, INVEST CLEAN

On behalf of Gateway Cities Council of Governments (Gateway Cities), I write in support of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) regional application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with California's Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP).

INVEST CLEAN is also supportive of U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation's, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and implements measures from the PCAPs for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA).

Gateway Cities is a joint powers authority that combines 27 cities and 11 unincorporated Los Angeles County communities from East Los Angeles down to Long Beach and from the Alameda Corridor to the Orange County border, with over 2 million residents (over 5% of California). In fact, if it were one city, we would be the 5th largest in the United States; and if it were a state unto itself, the 38th largest in the U.S. While we are over 5% of California's population, we have 14% of the disadvantaged community census tracts, and we have four of the 19 designated Community Air Pollution Program (AB 617) neighborhoods in the state—we are lower-income and polluted.

The broad Southern California goods movement corridor is the western Gateway to the U.S. Supply Chain and international commerce including critical parts of the National Highway Freight Network (NHFN) and the busiest U.S. marine ports in the nation, major intermodal centers, and warehousing locations, and other facilities. The Southern California goods movement corridor is essential for the strength of the national economy; however, the environmental costs are borne solely by our residents in the form of heightened climate impacts, air pollution, and health impacts.

Over 48% and 53.8% of greenhouse gas emissions are related to transportation and off-road equipment in the Los Angeles – Long Beach – Anaheim and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario MSAs. Goods movement related mobile sources are responsible for approximately 80% of the unhealthy air pollution in the two MSAs.

There are approximately 18 million residents in the two MSAs impacted by drought, extreme heat, year-round wildfires, and floods. It is home to over two-thirds of California's environmental justice communities who are disproportionately impacted by climate change. Further, the majority of the MSAs population are living in areas classified under the Clean Air Act as extreme nonattainment for ozone and serious nonattainment for PM2.5. We are keenly aware that currently pending issues related to nonattainment of the Clean Air Act may trigger sanctions including increased costs for local businesses, withholding of federal highway funds, and a federal implementation plan.

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor to zero-emission technologies from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border reduce greenhouse gas emissions, criteria pollutants and air toxics. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world large-scale deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions.

INVEST CLEAN will provide benefits beyond California by driving sustainability in the goods movement industry and fostering economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S. made vehicles and equipment. Additionally, South Coast AQMD is partnering with the National Renewable Energy Laboratory to verify project emissions data and summarize best practices for infrastructure implementation to serve as a catalyst for nationwide deployment.

Gateway Cities is supportive of U.S. EPA funding INVEST CLEAN to transform the goods movement corridor that disproportionately impacts our communities to zero-emissions, clean air technologies that will support economic growth and preserve good paying jobs while addressing deep rooted air pollution and climate issues that affect the health and safety of our region.

Sincerely,



Hector De La Torre, Executive Director
Gateway Cities Council of Governments



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March 22, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Subject: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction
Grant Regional Proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the Long Beach Airport, I write to express our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

The Long Beach Airport (LGB) is committed to climate pollution emission reductions. In 2019, LGB became one of five commercial airports in the South Coast Air Basin to finalize a voluntary MOU with the South Coast AQMD to identify emission reduction benefits and set ambitious voluntary targets for renewable energy, sustainable design, clean construction practices, clean fleet goals for airport-owned vehicles and additional electric charging infrastructure for travelers. Since that time, LGB has installed electric charging infrastructure for ground support equipment resulting in 100 percent electrification of commercial gates, installed aircraft ground power that enables commercial pilots to shut off auxiliary power units while waiting that substantially reduce emissions, and introduced sustainable aviation fuel at the general aviation terminals as an eco-friendly alternative to traditional jet fuel. As a result of these efforts, the Airports Council International, the leading industry group for airports, certified Long Beach Airport with a Level 2

rating in the Airport Carbon Accreditation (ACA) program for the goals to reduce emissions from 2016 levels, on a per passenger basis, by 20 percent in 2025 and 40 percent in 2030. Even with this level of investment, the Long Beach Airport continues to see a need for significant investment in climate-supporting infrastructure to reach a zero-emissions future.

Long Beach Airport recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We support this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me at (562) 570-2619 regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Respectfully,



Cynthia Guidry, Director
Long Beach Airport

March 27, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA), I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD).

South Coast AQMD's application requests \$500M to fund incentives to support the zero-emissions transformation of the Southern California goods movement corridor. Transportation accounts for over 50% of GHG emissions and nearly 80% of the air pollution in our region.

Los Angeles World Airports is committed to setting the global airport standard for customer satisfaction and security, regional economic leadership, and organizational performance. Building on our core values, we are committed to engage our employees, tenants, customers, and communities in an effort to continually improve our environmental, economic, and social performance.

As the organization that governs Los Angeles International and Van Nuys Airports, LAWA is committed to our City's pledge to making a meaningful difference for the future.

As such, we support South Coast AQMD's application to fund key areas/sectors for future grant programs that support the transition and implementation of zero-emission medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment as these support LAWA's Sustainability Action Plan (SAP), which aims to achieve a goal of net zero across different aspects of our airport operations. Funding availability for these sectors will help shape our future environmental footprint by making impactful changes in our daily operations.

South Coast AQMD's focus areas include:

EV Infrastructure supporting battery electric medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment.: The cost of charging infrastructure and related equipment has been a challenge for LAWA. LAWA's cargo lease holds would benefit significantly from these funds. We are currently looking at conducting a LAX electrical infrastructure study and these funds would complement that study.

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Chief Executive Officer



Cargo handling equipment for railyards and freight facilities – this includes railyards, warehouses, airports, and ports: This funding will assist cargo related tenants. Cargo tenants are the slowest to transition to zero emission equipment and by creating funding opportunities to assist with the transition, it will, in turn, help support our SAP goals.

Medium- and heavy-duty vehicles for last-mile freight strategies and small, long-haul fleets: LAWA and our cargo lease holds have a small fleet of medium and heavy-duty trucks that also need transition. These funds would help LAWA, and tenants speed up the transition to zero emission fleets and support our SAP goals.

Workforce training with prioritization for students living in “goods movement impacted communities” and community engagement: South Coast AQMD’s proposal also includes a workforce training component along with community engagement and benefits that are built into the evaluation criteria for each sector and CBOs will be included during development of the Request for Projects if the grant is awarded.

Funds supporting these two efforts align with programs such as our HireLAX Apprenticeship program which provides local members of the community, many of whom face serious challenges with employability, with entry-level training that can lead to work in construction trades at LAX. To-date, we have had 398 graduates from our Apprenticeship Readiness Program, who are now earning an average hourly wage of \$45.40.

LAWA recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits.

We support South AQMD’s application and for the EPA’s favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN.

Please feel free to contact Mark Adams, Government Affairs Director at madams2@lawa.org for any reason regarding our support for this application.

Sincerely,

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Becca Doten
Chief of Staff
Los Angeles World Airports

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Orange County Council of Governments

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3/26/2024

Wayne Nastri
Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
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Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: Support for Regional Climate Pollution Reduction Grant application led by South Coast Air Quality Management District, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the Orange County Council of Governments (OCCOG), I write in support of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) regional application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with California's Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP).

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INVEST CLEAN will drive the zero-emissions transformation of the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to the California border to address climate, air quality, and environmental justice issues while supporting economic growth and job creation.

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OCCOG is supportive of U.S. EPA funding INVEST CLEAN to transform the Southern California goods movement corridor to zero-emissions, clean air technologies that will support economic growth and preserve good paying jobs while addressing deep rooted air pollution and climate issues that affect the health and safety of our communities.



Orange County Council of Governments

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Sincerely,

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Executive Director
OCCOG



County Administrative Office
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Bradley Jensen
Director

March 26, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: SUPPORT for South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal INVEST CLEAN

Dear Mr. Nastri,

On behalf of the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors I write in support for the South Coast Air Quality Management District's application for the regional Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant. INVEST CLEAN will help transition the Southern California goods movement corridor to zero-emission technologies. This funding will address inadequate charging infrastructure, the high cost of zero emission medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and the lack of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN will also provide community benefits through a workforce training program with labor and educational institutions while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions in the region.

San Bernardino County operates the largest local agency vehicles fleet in California. We are trying to comply with the Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation and its mandate to transition medium- and heavy-duty trucks to zero-emission vehicles. These regulations and strict compliance deadlines are a significant challenge for all local agencies, particularly with the high cost of charging infrastructure and zero-emission vehicles. INVEST CLEAN would be a critical resource for the County in its efforts to achieve its zero-emissions goals.

INVEST CLEAN will help the Southern California goods movement industry transition to zero-emission vehicles and technology. For these reasons, the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors supports this important grant application. If you have questions about our position, contact Brad Jensen, Director of Legislative Affairs, at (909) 387-4821 or by email at Bradley.Jensen@cao.sbcounty.gov.

Sincerely,

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Dawn Rowe
Third District Supervisor
Chair, San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors

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March 20, 2024

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RE: Support for Regional Climate Pollution Reduction Grant application led by South Coast Air Quality Management District, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Natri:

On behalf of the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG), I write in support of the regional application led by South Coast Air Quality Management District's (South Coast AQMD) to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG). The project is called INVEST CLEAN – the Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN), and aligns with California's Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP).

INVEST CLEAN not only meets the U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, but also the Justice40 initiative and the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation's, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and implements measures from the PCAPs for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA).

INVEST CLEAN will drive the zero-emissions transformation of the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to the California border to address climate, air quality, and environmental justice issues while supporting economic growth and job creation.

The Southern California goods movement corridor is the Western Gateway to the U.S. Supply Chain and international commerce including critical parts of the National Highway Freight Network (NHFN) and the busiest U.S. marine ports in the nation, major intermodal centers, and warehousing locations, and other facilities. The Southern California goods movement corridor is essential for the strength of the national economy; however, the environmental costs are borne solely by our residents in the form of heightened climate impacts, air pollution, and health impacts. Over 48% and 53.8% of greenhouse gas emissions are related to transportation and off-road equipment in the Los Angeles – Long Beach – Anaheim and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario MSAs. Goods movement related mobile sources are responsible for approximately 80% of the unhealthy air pollution in the two MSAs.

There are approximately 18 million residents in the two MSAs impacted by drought, extreme heat, year-round wildfires, and floods. It is home to over two-thirds of California's environmental justice communities who are disproportionately impacted by climate change. Further, the majority of each MSA's population are living in areas classified under the Clean Air Act as extreme nonattainment for ozone and serious nonattainment for PM2.5. Currently pending issues related to nonattainment of the Clean Air Act may trigger sanctions including increased costs for local businesses, withholding of federal highway funds, and a federal implementation plan. Climate impacts and air pollution significantly impact the quality of life for our constituents' increasing risks of mortality, acute and chronic illnesses, lost wages, and school days, and other long-term environmental and economic consequences.

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor to zero-emission technologies from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border reduce greenhouse gas emissions, criteria pollutants and air toxics. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world large-scale deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

INVEST CLEAN will provide benefits beyond California by driving sustainability in the goods movement industry and fostering economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S. made vehicles and equipment. Additionally, South Coast AQMD is partnering with the National Renewable Energy Laboratory to verify project emissions data and summarize best practices for infrastructure implementation to serve as a catalyst for nationwide deployment.

The San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments supports this U.S. EPA funding request for INVEST CLEAN, which will transform the Southern California goods movement corridor to zero-emissions, implement clean air technologies that will support economic growth, and preserve good paying jobs while addressing deep rooted air pollution and climate issues that affect the health and safety of San Gabriel Valley and Southern California communities. Please do not hesitate to reach out to Mackenzie Bolger, mbolger@sgvcog.org, with any questions.

Sincerely,



Marisa Creter
Executive Director
San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

03/27/2024

**Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Regional Proposal,
INVEST CLEAN**

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Axis IOS, I write to express our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

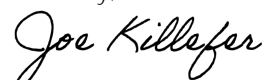
Composed of an experienced team of operators and real estate professionals, Axis is focused on deploying their unique knowledge to evolving Industrial Outdoor Storage (IOS) demands. IOS facilities are often an overlooked component to supply chain logistics regarding their potential for decarbonization. Axis strategically targets these mission critical IOS properties to implement innovative solutions that foster emissions reductions and electrification of local area fleet vehicles. By pushing zero-emissions project to these areas, and enabling zero emissions operations for local fleet tenants, Axis believes it can help support a new wave of clean transportation solutions in previously diesel dominated spaces.

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Axis IOS recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all. We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Sincerely,

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March 25, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Azusa Chamber of Commerce, I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

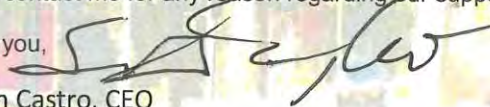
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The Azusa Chamber of Commerce recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Thank you,


Steven Castro, CEO
Azusa Chamber of Commerce



John Lovenburg
Vice President
Environment & Sustainability

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March 28, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of BNSF Railway (BNSF), I write to express our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD).

BNSF is a strong partner for this grant. We have an approved science-based target to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions 30% by 2030 and we have a track record of partnering with the SCAQMD to test emissions-reducing technologies in Southern California. INVEST CLEAN provides an opportunity to demonstrate zero-emission technologies with a longer-term objective of cost-competitive and scalable commercial technologies. This partnership will help address the significant challenges to zero-emission locomotives:

- Safety – electrical charging and storage, maintenance processes, and other safety protocols
- Interoperability – industry-compatible designs and operating standards for efficient goods movement
- Infrastructure – cost, supply chains, reliability, and resiliency of electrical power, particularly in the state of California
- Technology Start-Up – early development costs for design, manufacture, and testing of this nascent technology
- Integration – operational constraints and integration with existing processes

INVEST CLEAN will help the rail industry and agencies advance solutions to address these challenges. We believe these partnerships are an optimum way to develop new technologies that are safe, operationally-efficient, interoperable and cost-effective. As such, we support SCAQMD's application to test zero-emissions technology in Southern California.

Sincerely,

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John Lovenburg
BNSF Railway

BTC Power Inc.

Date: 3/22/2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer

South Coast Air Quality Management District

21865 Copley Drive

Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of BTC Power Inc., I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

BTC Power supports and can confirm the need for funding for medium- and heavy-duty infrastructure, cargo handling equipment, etc.

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BTC Power Inc. recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Carlos Cortes

BTC Power Inc.

CTO, Chief Technical Officer



3/20/24

Wayne Natri
Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: Support for Regional Climate Pollution Reduction Grant application led by South Coast Air Quality Management District, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Natri:

On behalf of the Calimesa Chamber of Commerce, I write in support of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) regional application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with California's Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP).

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The Calimesa Chamber of Commerce is supportive of U.S. EPA funding INVEST CLEAN to transform the Southern California goods movement corridor to zero-emissions, clean air technologies that will support economic growth and preserve good paying jobs while addressing deep rooted air pollution and climate issues that affect the health and safety of our communities.

Sincerely,



Shea Choy
President of the Calimesa Chamber of Commerce



March 27, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the Carson Chamber of Commerce, I would like to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Climate Pollution Reduction Grant application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District. The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with the U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy. It is a coordinated project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans for our region and the state.

The Carson Chamber is hopeful that by working together we can come up with real solutions for the logistics supply chain operating in a clean, safe, and efficient manner. We are adjacent to the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach. As such, cargo handling, rail transport, long- and short-haul infrastructure are absolutely vital to our community and can impact us in serious ways.

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Furthermore, it will serve as a catalyst for nationwide improvements in goods movement by establishing a blueprint and leveraging economies of scale.

The Carson Chamber recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Truly yours,

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Barry M. Waite
President

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March 22, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer

South Coast Air Quality Management District

21865 Copley Drive

Diamond Bar, CA 91765

**Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution
Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN**

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the Chino Valley Chamber of Commerce, I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles - Long Beach - Orange County and Riverside - San Bernardino - Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

To achieve these objectives, funding is crucial for various aspects, including medium- and heavy-duty infrastructure, cargo handling equipment, and real-world deployments of zero-emission technologies. This initiative not only drives sustainable changes in the goods movement industry but also promotes economic growth, employment opportunities, and community benefits.

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March 26, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Gage Zero LLC (Gage Zero), I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals and the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation's National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy. It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

Gage Zero is a women-founded developer and operator of medium- and heavy-duty vehicle (MHDV) EV truck charging hubs across the US, with a \$300M funding commitment from ARC Financial. We eliminate the complexity and up-front costs of electrification with a customizable, turn-key package that includes charging hubs, electric trucks, and energy management – so fleets can electrify while staying focused on their core business. Gage Zero works across distribution, last-mile delivery, and drayage, and is currently developing charging hubs for several prominent fleet customers not only in California, but in New York/New Jersey, Texas, and Colorado as well, and we are actively developing multiple MHDV charging hubs in South Coast AQMD's territory.

One of the biggest barriers to MHDV electrification is the lack of charging infrastructure, and this issue is especially acute in South Coast AQMD's territory, where fleets are poised to adopt MHDV EVs faster than in other parts of the state and country due to U.S. EPA's, California's, and South Coast AQMD's forward-thinking policies and programs. Hence, if U.S. EPA were to award a CPRG grant to South Coast AQMD for MHDV electric charging infrastructure, it would serve to accelerate MHDV fleet electrification in Southern California and provide a model for the rest of the country, while simultaneously reducing environmental and community health impacts.

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods-movement corridor, from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border, to zero-emission technologies. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust



workforce training program in partnership with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts, while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

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Gage Zero recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

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CEO, Gage Zero
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March 26, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce, we are writing to express our steadfast commitment and full support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns seamlessly with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." This initiative garners wide-ranging support from industry, labor, and community stakeholders and is further bolstered by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

Recognizing the critical need for investment in essential infrastructure such as medium- and heavy-duty infrastructure and cargo handling equipment, the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce stands in firm agreement with the imperative to bolster these sectors. These investments form the backbone of our region's goods movement industry and are essential for its efficiency, sustainability, and long-term viability. Adequate funding in these areas will not only enhance operational capabilities but also drive technological advancements that promote environmental stewardship and economic prosperity.

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duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world deployments for zero-emission technologies, INVEST CLEAN is poised to revolutionize the landscape of goods movement in our region. Moreover, this initiative is strategically designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in collaboration with labor unions and educational institutions, while also integrating community input and benefits into projects to mitigate the impacts on vulnerable populations.

INVEST CLEAN's potential for driving innovation and sustainable change within the goods movement industry cannot be overstated. As a major source of greenhouse gas emissions in Southern California, transforming this sector will not only contribute to environmental goals but also foster economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S.-made vehicles and equipment. Additionally, this initiative has the potential to serve as a blueprint for nationwide improvements in goods movement, leveraging economies of scale and setting a precedent for other regions to follow suit.

The Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce recognizes the critical importance of initiatives like INVEST CLEAN in reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving air quality, stimulating economic growth, and generating employment opportunities while delivering tangible benefits to our communities. We fully endorse this visionary initiative and pledge our unwavering support towards its realization.

We earnestly urge the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Should you require any further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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Claudette Baldemor, CEO
Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce



GREATER RIVERSIDE CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE

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March 27, 2024

Wayne Natri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

RE: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal – INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Natri,

On behalf of the Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce, representing over 1,100 local employers and 110,000 jobs in the Inland Southern California region, I write to express our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." This all-of-government project involves strong industry, labor, and community participants and is supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

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The Greater Riverside Chamber of Commerce recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We support this initiative and the project's vision and objectives to foster a greener and more sustainable future that improves the quality of life for communities across the Southern California region.

For these reasons, we are proud to support INVEST CLEAN grant proposal. Thank you for your consideration. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 951-683-7100.

Respectfully,

Nicholas Adcock
President/CEO

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Date March 26, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Greater Ontario Business Council, I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

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Greater Ontario Business Council recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Respectfully,

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Peggi Hazlett-Greater Ontario Business Council-CEO



GREATER MONTEREY PARK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

March 26, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal,
INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the Greater Monterey Park Chamber of Commerce (GMPCC), I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

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We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Sincerely,

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Dora Leung, President



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Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
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Friday, March 22, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal,
INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Greenlane Infrastructure, LLC (Greenlane), I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

Greenlane is an independent joint venture founded and funded by Daimler Truck North America, LLC (DTNA), NextEra Energy Resources, LLC (NEER) and BlackRock Infrastructure (BlackRock). Greenlane's mission is to design, develop, install, and operate a nationwide, high-performance ZEV public charging and hydrogen fueling network for MHD battery-electric and hydrogen fuel cell vehicles. The partnership formed by Greenlane's founding members is unique in the nascent MHD ZE charging infrastructure space. Deploying MHD ZE charging infrastructure at scale, in the right locations, and at the right time presents challenges and risks that Greenlane is uniquely able to address. Greenlane's partners' use of data and prior project development experience ensure that these projects will be designed, built, and operated based on unmatched understanding of MHD ZE vehicle technology, freight patterns, customer use cases, and electrical infrastructure deployment and operation.

Goods movement is critical to our economy and is also a significant source of climate and air pollution. Transitioning commercial vehicles that carry goods to zero emission technology is challenging and costly. Grant funding is critical to promote development of charging infrastructure for medium and heavy duty vehicles, as capital costs to install charging at scale can be cost prohibitive. In early years as ZEV truck deployments ramp up, we expect lower charging utilization. It is critical to defray intensive capital costs with grant funding to make development feasible and economically sustainable in this early stage of market development.

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Electrical Workers and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

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Greenlane recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Sincerely,

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Andrea Pratt
Sr. Director of Grants, Incentives & Policy
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March 26, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the Harbor Association of Industry and Commerce (HAIC), we are writing to express our steadfast commitment and full support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns seamlessly with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." This initiative garners wide-ranging support from industry, labor, and community stakeholders and is further bolstered by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

Recognizing the critical need for investment in essential infrastructure such as medium- and heavy-duty infrastructure and cargo handling equipment, HAIC stands in firm agreement with the imperative to bolster these sectors. These investments form the backbone of our region's goods movement industry and are essential for its efficiency, sustainability, and long-term viability. Adequate funding in these areas will not only enhance operational capabilities but also drive technological advancements that promote environmental stewardship and economic prosperity.

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HAIC recognizes the critical importance of initiatives like INVEST CLEAN in reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving air quality, stimulating economic growth, and generating employment opportunities while delivering tangible benefits to our communities. We fully endorse this visionary initiative and pledge our unwavering support towards its realization.

We earnestly urge the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Should you require any further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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Henry Rogers

Executive Director

Harbor Association of Industry and Commerce



March 27, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Regional Proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of InductEV, I write to express our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants. The project is further supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

InductEV is a high-powered wireless charging company at the forefront of the sustainable mobility revolution for the goods movement industry. InductEV designs, develops, and manufactures its wireless charging systems primarily for heavy-duty heavy-duty electric vehicles (EVs), focusing on port and intermodal fleets, as well as commercial transit bus fleets. The successful transition to a zero-emissions ecosystem for medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and charging infrastructure requires significant investment and participation across industry and government stakeholders.

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InductEV recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. Our mission is to facilitate the success of business and the planet by driving the widespread adoption of wireless charging infrastructure, and we are dedicated to creating a thriving future where zero-emissions solutions and wireless power revolutionize industries and positively impact lives. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN.

Please feel free to reach out to either Tim DeMoss (tim.demoss@inductev.com) or Michael Martinez (michael.martinez@inductev.com) for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Sincerely,

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Dave Dealy

President & Chief Commercial Officer
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Greer Woodruff
EVP Safety, Sustainability and Maintenance
J.B. Hunt Transport Services, Inc.
Lowell, AR 72745

Friday, March 29, 2024

RE: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Dear Executive Officer Nastri,

On behalf of J.B. Hunt Transport Services, Inc. (J.B. Hunt), I write to express support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD).

J.B. Hunt is a strong partner for this grant. We have set an ambitious target to reduce our greenhouse gas emissions intensity by 32% (from a 2019 baseline) by the year 2034. We are working diligently with our equipment and service providers to target and deploy solutions that contribute to our achievement of this goal. A significant portion of these efforts involve the electrification of our intermodal drayage operations in southern California, including major terminals in South Gate, CA and San Bernardino, CA. INVEST CLEAN provides an opportunity to demonstrate zero-emission technologies with a longer-term objective of cost-competitive and scalable commercial technologies. This partnership will help address the significant challenges to zero-emission heavy-duty transportation:

- Infrastructure – cost, supply chains, reliability, and resiliency of electrical power, particularly in the state of California
- Zero emission truck viability – cost, availability, operability, reliability and efficiency within logistics operations
- Safety – electrical charging and storage, maintenance processes, and other safety protocols
- Interoperability – industry-compatible designs and operating standards for efficient goods movement

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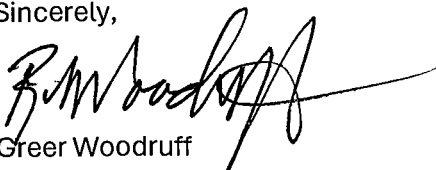
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J.B. Hunt Transport Services, Inc. recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

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Sincerely,

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Greer Woodruff

Executive Vice President of Safety, Sustainability and Maintenance



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Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer

South Coast Air Quality Management District

21865 Copley Drive

Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the La Verne Chamber of Commerce, I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

Currently pending issues related to nonattainment of the Clean Air Act may trigger sanctions including increased costs for local businesses, withholding of federal highway funds, and a federal implementation plan.

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The La Verne Chamber of Commerce recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Sincerely,

Leah Skinner

Executive Director

The Mission of the La Verne Chamber of Commerce is to provide opportunities for businesses to grow and prosper

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March 26, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Regional Proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Opcondys, Inc., I write to express our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

Opcondys is an early-stage start-up commercializing a new class of high voltage power electronic device that promises greater energy efficiency in grid equipment such as renewable energy inverters, grid tied energy storage converters and grid protection devices. As such, we have benefitted from government funding programs that support the clean energy transition. Private investors are hesitant to back projects that don't have a clear ROI so government support is often critical to organizations desiring to effect change for the betterment of the environment.

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border to zero-emission technologies. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

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Opcondys recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while

delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Sincerely,

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Kristin Sampayan, CEO
Opcondys, Inc.
kristinsa@opcondys.com

March 27, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Orange County Business Council (OCBC) I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

The need for funding for projects such as this one is critical to Orange County, and to the Southern California region. OCBC supports "state funding and planning efforts to enable achievable pathways and commercially-available technology needed to meet zero-emissions vehicle mandates."¹ OCBC also supports "public private partnerships with businesses to support education programs through nonprofits to fill the workforce gaps."²

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border to zero-emission technologies. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

INVEST CLEAN will drive innovative and sustainable changes within the goods movement industry, a major source of greenhouse gas emissions in Southern California. These efforts will foster economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S. made vehicles and equipment. Furthermore, it will serve as a catalyst for nationwide improvements in goods movement by establishing a blueprint and leveraging economies of scale.

OCBC recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Sincerely,



Amanda Walsh
Vice President, Government Affairs

¹ OCBC 2023-24 Legislative Action Guide, p. 40, Position 3.23

² OCBC 2023-24 Legislative Action Guide, p. 52, Position 6.2



March 27, 2024

Mr. Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Regional Proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Orange EV, I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participation and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

Orange EV believes INVEST CLEAN will be a transformational initiative which will help SCAQMD break down barriers to transitioning regional goods movement corridors from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border to zero-emission technologies. The project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. INVEST CLEAN will integrate community input into projects and create an innovative program mitigating the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

Orange EV recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project. You may reach me at 785.214.1072 – email: jasond@orangeev.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Dake

Jason Dake

Vice President, Legal & Regulatory Affairs

Signature:



Email: JasonD@orangeev.com



March 28th, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Regional Proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Penske Truck Leasing Co. L.P. (Penske), I write to express our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy."

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border to zero-emission technologies. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN will drive innovative and sustainable changes within the goods movement industry, a major source of greenhouse gas emissions in Southern California. Furthermore, it will serve as a catalyst for nationwide improvements in goods movement by establishing a blueprint and leveraging economies of scale.

Penske recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve air quality. As one of the nation's leading transportation solutions providers, Penske Truck Leasing shares SCAQMD's long term zero-emission goals. Our commitment to a shift to zero-emission transportation technology, specifically in the goods movement sector, is reflected by our investments over the last six (6) years in multiple medium- and heavy-duty electrification demonstration and deployment projects. These projects have afforded Penske invaluable experience working with public agencies, investor-owned utilities, charging infrastructure and vehicles manufacturers, and customers in the deployment and operation of new zero-emission transportation services across the entire supply chain. We believe there are very few, if any, large transportation providers doing more than Penske to advance zero-emission technology.

We respectfully urge the EPA to favorably consider and support the INVEST CLEAN project. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Ivet Taneva, VP Environmental Affairs
Penske Truck Leasing



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March 29, 2024

Wayne Natri

Executive Officer

South Coast Air Quality Management District

21865 Copley Drive

Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: Support for Regional Climate Pollution Reduction Grant application led by South Coast Air Quality Management District, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Natri:

On behalf of the Perris Valley Chamber of Commerce, I write in support of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) regional application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with California's Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP).

INVEST CLEAN is also supportive of U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation's, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and implements measures from the PCAPs for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA).

INVEST CLEAN will drive the zero-emissions transformation of the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to the California border to address climate, air quality, and environmental justice issues while supporting economic growth and job creation.

The Southern California goods movement corridor is the Western Gateway to the U.S. Supply Chain and international commerce including critical parts of the National Highway Freight Network (NHFN) and the busiest U.S. marine ports in the nation, major intermodal centers, and warehousing locations, and other facilities. The Southern California goods movement corridor is essential for the strength of the national economy; however, the environmental costs are borne solely by our residents in the form of heightened climate impacts, air pollution, and health impacts. Over 48% and 53.8% of greenhouse gas emissions are related to transportation and off-road equipment in the Los Angeles – Long Beach – Anaheim and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario MSAs. Goods movement related mobile sources are responsible for approximately 80% of the unhealthy air pollution in the two MSAs.

There are approximately 18 million residents in the two MSAs impacted by drought, extreme heat, year-round wildfires, and floods. It is home to over two-thirds of California's environmental justice communities who are disproportionately impacted by climate change. Further, the majority of the MSAs population are living in areas classified under the Clean Air Act as extreme nonattainment for ozone and serious nonattainment for PM2.5. Currently pending issues related to nonattainment of the Clean Air Act may trigger sanctions including increased costs for local businesses, withholding of federal highway funds, and a federal implementation plan. Climate impacts and air pollution significantly impact the quality of life for our constituents' increasing risks of mortality, acute and chronic illnesses, lost wages, and school days, and other long-term environmental and economic consequences.

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor to zero-emission technologies from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border reduce greenhouse gas emissions, criteria pollutants and air toxics. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world large-scale deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

INVEST CLEAN will provide benefits beyond California by driving sustainability in the goods movement industry and fostering economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S. made vehicles and equipment. Additionally, South Coast AQMD is partnering with the National Renewable Energy Laboratory to verify project emissions data and summarize best practices for infrastructure implementation to serve as a catalyst for nationwide deployment.

Perris Valley Chamber of Commerce is supportive of U.S. EPA funding INVEST CLEAN to transform the Southern California goods movement corridor to zero-emissions, clean air technologies that will support economic growth and preserve good paying jobs while addressing deep rooted air pollution and climate issues that affect the health and safety of our communities.

Sincerely,



Jerry R. Sepulveda
President of the Board of Directors



March 26, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce, we are writing to express our steadfast commitment and full support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns seamlessly with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." This initiative garners wide-ranging support from industry, labor, and community stakeholders and is further bolstered by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

Recognizing the critical need for investment in essential infrastructure such as medium- and heavy-duty infrastructure and cargo handling equipment, the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce stands in firm agreement with the imperative to bolster these sectors. These investments form the backbone of our region's goods movement industry and are essential for its efficiency, sustainability, and long-term viability. Adequate funding in these areas will not only enhance operational capabilities but also drive technological advancements that promote environmental stewardship and economic prosperity.

INVEST CLEAN represents a groundbreaking endeavor aimed at surmounting barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border to zero-emission technologies. By addressing critical challenges such as inadequate charging infrastructure, high costs of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world deployments for zero-emission technologies, INVEST CLEAN is poised to revolutionize the landscape of goods movement

in our region. Moreover, this initiative is strategically designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in collaboration with labor unions and educational institutions, while also integrating community input and benefits into projects to mitigate the impacts on vulnerable populations.

INVEST CLEAN's potential for driving innovation and sustainable change within the goods movement industry cannot be overstated. As a major source of greenhouse gas emissions in Southern California, transforming this sector will not only contribute to environmental goals but also foster economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S.-made vehicles and equipment. Additionally, this initiative has the potential to serve as a blueprint for nationwide improvements in goods movement, leveraging economies of scale and setting a precedent for other regions to follow suit.

The Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce recognizes the critical importance of initiatives like INVEST CLEAN in reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving air quality, stimulating economic growth, and generating employment opportunities while delivering tangible benefits to our communities. We fully endorse this visionary initiative and pledge our unwavering support towards its realization.

We earnestly urge the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Should you require any further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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Dominik Knoll, CEO
Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce



March 26, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Regional Proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of ReJoule, I express our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

ReJoule is based in Signal Hill, CA which is just a short distance from the Long Beach port. We see the massive trucks coming and going and understand that to move to zero-emissions for medium and heavy duty trucks, there is much investment that is needed. In addition to deploying charging infrastructure, ReJoule sees the need to support the maintenance and diagnostics of these batteries as they age. This will enable a truly circular economy for batteries so that when it's no longer good enough for the road, the batteries can help provide stationary storage in a second-life application. ReJoule is committed to working with the South Coast AQMD to help maximize the value of these batteries and make electric vehicles even more sustainable.

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border to zero-emission technologies. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

INVEST CLEAN will drive innovative and sustainable changes within the goods movement industry, a major source of greenhouse gas emissions in Southern California. These efforts will foster economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S. made zero-emission vehicles and equipment. Furthermore, it will serve as a catalyst for nationwide improvements in goods movement by establishing a blueprint and leveraging economies of scale.

ReJoule recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate



employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Sincerely,

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March 26, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Regional Proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of RockeTruck, Inc., I write to express our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

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INVEST CLEAN will drive innovative and sustainable changes within the goods movement industry, a major source of greenhouse gas emissions in Southern California. These efforts will foster economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S. made zero-emission vehicles and equipment. Furthermore, it will serve as a catalyst for nationwide improvements in goods movement by establishing a blueprint and leveraging economies of scale.

RockeTruck is actively engaged in development of advanced charging systems for heavy-duty vehicles, as well as battery-electric and fuel cell power generation technologies that may be adapted to heavy-duty vehicle propulsion. These activities include a project currently being funded by the South Coast AQMD. We therefore recognize the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.



Sincerely,

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Michael Simon
President & CEO



March 26, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership (Partnership), I write to express our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

The Partnership is an active advocate for initiatives that enhance the San Gabriel Valley's infrastructure for the sake of economic development and the prosperity of the region. The Partnership advocates on behalf of the needs and priorities of the 31 cities in the region and the key stakeholders that support the economic and workforce development of its residents. There is a need for funding for medium/heavy-duty infrastructure and cargo-handling equipment that, if met, would bolster the operations of our local businesses and industries sustainably.

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative to overcome barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border to zero-emission technologies. This project seeks to address issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, the cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and the scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

INVEST CLEAN will drive innovative and sustainable changes within the goods movement industry, a major source of greenhouse gas emissions in Southern California. These efforts will foster economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S. made vehicles and



equipment. Furthermore, it will serve as a catalyst for nationwide improvements in goods movement by establishing a blueprint and leveraging economies of scale.

The Partnership recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

For these reasons, the Partnership respectfully asks for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN.

Sincerely,

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Luis Portillo
President & CEO



March 26, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant
regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the San Pedro Chamber of Commerce, we are writing to express our steadfast commitment and full support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns seamlessly with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." This initiative garners wide-ranging support from industry, labor, and community stakeholders and is further bolstered by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

Recognizing the critical need for investment in essential infrastructure such as medium- and heavy-duty infrastructure and cargo handling equipment, the San Pedro Chamber of Commerce stands in firm agreement with the imperative to bolster these sectors. These investments form the backbone of our region's goods movement industry and are essential for its efficiency, sustainability, and long-term viability. Adequate funding in these areas will not only enhance operational capabilities but also drive technological advancements that promote environmental stewardship and economic prosperity.

INVEST CLEAN represents a groundbreaking endeavor aimed at surmounting barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border to zero-emission technologies. By addressing critical challenges such as inadequate charging infrastructure, high costs of medium- and heavy-

duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world deployments for zero-emission technologies, INVEST CLEAN is poised to revolutionize the landscape of goods movement in our region. Moreover, this initiative is strategically designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in collaboration with labor unions and educational institutions, while also integrating community input and benefits into projects to mitigate the impacts on vulnerable populations.

INVEST CLEAN's potential for driving innovation and sustainable change within the goods movement industry cannot be overstated. As a major source of greenhouse gas emissions in Southern California, transforming this sector will not only contribute to environmental goals but also foster economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S.-made vehicles and equipment. Additionally, this initiative has the potential to serve as a blueprint for nationwide improvements in goods movement, leveraging economies of scale and setting a precedent for other regions to follow suit.

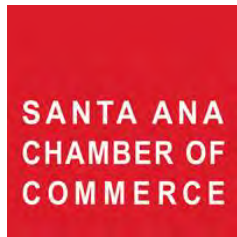
The San Pedro Chamber of Commerce recognizes the critical importance of initiatives like INVEST CLEAN in reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving air quality, stimulating economic growth, and generating employment opportunities while delivering tangible benefits to our communities. We fully endorse this visionary initiative and pledge our unwavering support towards its realization.

We earnestly urge the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Should you require any further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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Elise Swanson, CEO
San Pedro Chamber of Commerce



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March 29, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
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Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the Santa Ana Chamber, I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

The need for funding for projects like this is important to Orange County and to the Southern California region. The Santa Ana Chamber supports "state funding and planning efforts to enable attainable pathways and commercially available technology needed to meet zero-emissions vehicle mandates". The Santa Ana Chamber supports "public-private partnerships with businesses to support education programs through nonprofits to fill the workforce gaps".

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border to zero-emission technologies. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

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The Santa Ana Chamber recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

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Dave Elliott
President & CEO
Santa Ana Chamber of Commerce



March 26, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
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Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce (SBACC), I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

We understand the significance of investing in critical infrastructure such as medium- and heavy-duty infrastructure and cargo handling equipment. These investments are fundamental to the efficiency and sustainability of our state's goods movement industry. Adequate funding in these areas will not only enhance operational capabilities but also drive technological advancements that promote environmental stewardship and economic prosperity.

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Sincerely,

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Monica Garcia-Diaz, Board Chair
South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce (SBACC)

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Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction
Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the South Pasadena Chamber of Commerce, I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

While our community is fairly small with little manufacturing, commercial or freight/goods movement, it is important to continue to prepare and focus on sustainable, clean environmental policies and initiatives.

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The South Pasadena Chamber recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Sincerely,

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Laurie Wheeler



Wednesday, March 27, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Regional Proposal,
INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Sysco, I write to express our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

INVEST CLEAN aligns with Sysco's larger sustainability initiative to reduce carbon emissions and electrify its fleet and operations. INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border to zero-emission technologies. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

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Sincerely,

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Robert Veazie, Sysco
Sr. Manager Public and Private Partnerships



March 28th, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Regional Proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Tritium Technologies LLC, I write to express our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

Tritium's mission is to electrify transportation, enabling fast charging everywhere. We know that the transportation sector is recognized as the largest emitter of greenhouse gas emissions.

The medium and heavy-duty trucking industry including drayage and other cargo handling equipment account for a significant portion of the most toxic emissions, and yet this sector is severely underserved today with adequate fast charging infrastructure.

Tritium Technologies LLC has extensive experience meeting DC fast charging requirements for medium and heavy-duty vehicles and has proven this recently with the launch of the Port of Long Beach drayage charging depot as well as other projects, but there is a significant gap in the growth of electric trucks and the infrastructure required to keep them operational particularly in Southern California's goods movement corridors.

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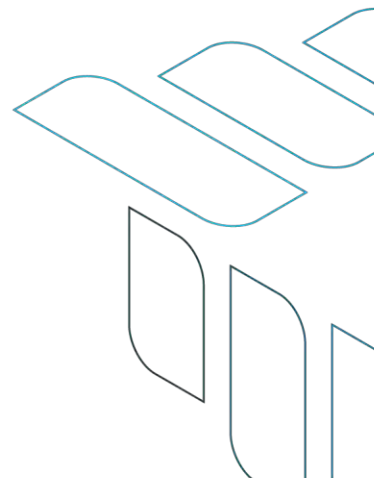
Best Regards,

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March 2024

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

The US Green Building Council-Los Angeles (USGBC-LA) is pleased to endorse the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

USGBC-LA's more than 3,000 members are sustainability and green building professionals with a deep commitment to addressing climate change and other local, state, and international environmental issues. Our members are designers, engineers, public agency and utility staff, consultants, product manufacturers, and service providers. Founded in 2002, our mission is to accelerate all aspects of sustainability in the built environment to create a more sustainable region for all.

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We strongly support the EPA's favorable consideration for INVEST CLEAN.

Sincerely,

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Ben Stapleton,
Executive Director



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March 27, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
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Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN - SUPPORT

Dear Executive Officer Nastri,

The Valley Industry & Commerce Association (VICA) writes to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

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VICA recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

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Stuart Waldman
VICA President



March 27, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
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**Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant
Regional Proposal, INVEST CLEAN**

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Voltera Power, LLC (Voltera), I write to express our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation's "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for the Los Angeles — Long Beach — Orange County and Riverside — San Bernardino — Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

Voltera sites, builds, owns, and operates strategically located, fit-for-purpose charging facilities to enable electric vehicle deployment and operation at scale. Our customers span from rideshare to drayage fleets, and our business strategy seeks to accelerate the transition to zero emission vehicles by addressing infrastructure challenges inhibiting the adoption of zero emission vehicles — notably including those affecting drayage trucks. The INVEST CLEAN project will help provide vital funding to accelerate medium- and heavy-duty EV infrastructure, enabling our customers to electrify quickly.

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We urge the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact Voltera via Suzanne Merkelson at smerkelson@volterapower.com for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matt Horton", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Matt Horton
Chief Executive Officer, Voltera

Wayne Nastri

Date: 2024-03-20

Executive Officer

South Coast Air Quality Management District

21865 Copley Drive

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**Re: Letter of Support for the South Coast Air Quality Management District
Application to the 2024 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate
Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG)**

Dear Wayne,

On behalf of Volvo Group North America (Volvo Group), I am writing to express our **strong commitment and support** for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) - **The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project** – that aligns with U.S. EPA’s ambitious CPRG goals and the “National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy.”

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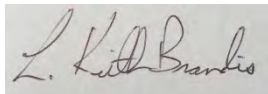
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Volvo recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

Volvo Group North America strongly believes the INVEST CLEAN project is well-matched to U.S. EPA's CPRG objectives, and we look forward to collaborating with South Coast AQMD and partners on the development of this groundbreaking program.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer our enthusiastic support for this project and we appreciate your consideration of this application. Should you have any questions regarding our support, please do not hesitate to contact me at (336)-210-1881 or keith.brandis@volvo.com

Best Regards,



Keith Brandis

President

Volvo Technology of America, LLC¹

About the Volvo Group

Volvo Group drives prosperity through transport and infrastructure solutions, offering trucks, buses, construction equipment, power solutions for marine and industrial applications, financing and services that increase our customers' uptime and productivity. Founded in 1927, the Volvo Group is committed to shaping the future landscape of sustainable transport and infrastructure solutions. The Volvo Group is headquartered in Gothenburg, Sweden, employs almost 100,000 people and serves customers in more than 190 markets. North America is a major market for the Volvo Group, employs more than 17,000 people, and operates 10 manufacturing and remanufacturing facilities in seven U.S. states, as well as three plants in Canada and one in Mexico.

In California, the Volvo Group and its dealers employ more than 1,000 people with locations in Costa Mesa, Mountain View, Corona, Hayward, Fontana, Stockton, Fresno, La Mirada, and other locations. Volvo Group is in the process of training and certifying dealers to sell and service its electric products. Currently, dealers at four locations in

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California have been certified as Class 8 electric vehicle dealers, with more expected to be added soon.

Volvo Group's Electromobility Solutions

The Volvo Group has spent years developing complete solutions for electromobility, and today, in North America, we are selling the Volvo VNR Electric² and Mack LR Electric³ for regional distribution and refuse applications. Both heavy-duty (Class 8) models are assembled exclusively in the U.S. for this market. Our product offering also includes the Mack MD Electric⁴ (Class 6 and 7 trucks), electric construction equipment⁵ (6 models), Nova Bus⁶ and Volvo Penta⁷'s powertrains for yard trucks and fire trucks as well as battery-energy storage systems. While BEVs are a suitable solution for city distribution, city buses, regional haulage and similar applications, hydrogen fuel cells (to power the electric driveline) will be a good option for heavy transport and demanding long-haul applications. With this in mind, the Volvo Group has formed a joint-venture (called cellcentric⁸) with Daimler Truck AG to drive the development of fuel cell technology for heavy-duty vehicle applications and is planning large scale production of fuel cell electric trucks in the second half of this decade.

With the Volvo LIGHTS⁹ project in California, we have successfully demonstrated deploying Class 8 electric trucks in real-world applications. To date (starting from early 2020), more than 30 Class 8 electric trucks have accumulated several hundred thousand miles in different applications. Volvo is the first major truck OEM to sell battery-electric Class 8 trucks to customers. Presently, we have more than 300 battery-electric Class 8 trucks across the U.S. and have aggregated more than 2 million miles.

Finally, and more recently, a new business area called Volvo Energy¹⁰ has been created with a dedicated focus on accelerating the Group's electrification and sustainability journey. The activities range from the development of charging and infrastructure solutions to the remanufacturing, refurbishing, repurposing, and recycling state-of-the-art batteries that power our Volvo Group products.

² <https://www.volvotrucks.us/trucks/vnr-electric/>

³ <https://www.macktrucks.com/trucks/lr-series/lr-electric/>

⁴ <https://www.macktrucks.com/trucks/md/>

⁵ <https://www.volvoce.com/global/en/our-offer/emobility/>

⁶ <https://novabus.com/blog/bus/lfse-plus/>

⁷ <https://www.volvopenta.com/en-us/industrial/electromobility/>

⁸ <https://www.cellcentric.net/en/about-us/>

⁹ <https://www.lightsproject.com>

¹⁰ <https://www.volvoenergy.com/en/>



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March 27th, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
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Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant
Regional Proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Wabtec Corporation (Wabtec), I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and is supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area, as well as the State of California.

Wabtec is headquartered in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, with approximately 27,000 employees and operations in over 50 countries. Wabtec is a leading global provider of equipment, systems, digital solutions, and value-added services for the freight and transit rail industries, as well as the mining, marine and industrial markets. Wabtec and its technologies are engaging in the transition to a more utilized, efficient, and zero-emission rail network. Two years ago, we took a bold step toward a low-to-zero-emission locomotive future with the delivery of the world's first heavy-haul 100-percent battery-electric locomotive – called FLXdrive™. Looking forward, Wabtec plans to extend its emissions reduction technologies further, by supporting the EPA's CPRG program, which would advance this technology with rail operators throughout Southern California. Wabtec is excited to support this grant application, to fund a battery electric locomotive lease program, which would result in a significant amount of emissions savings for California.

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INVEST CLEAN would drive innovative and sustainable changes within the goods movement industry, a major source of greenhouse gas emissions in Southern California. These efforts would potentially foster economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S. made vehicles and equipment. Furthermore, it would serve as a catalyst for nationwide improvements in goods movement by establishing a blueprint and leveraging economies of scale.

Wabtec recognizes the importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN which work toward reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving air quality, spurring economic growth, and generating employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We support this initiative and are committed to aiding the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a more sustainable future.

Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this project.

Regards,

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Gina Trombley
Executive Vice President of Sales & Marketing / Commercial Officer



March 25, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Regional Proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of WattEV, I write to express our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

WattEV is a California-based company on a mission to accelerate the transition to zero-emission heavy-duty transportation. Combining an innovative Truck-as-a-Service model, transport services for shippers and carriers, and charging infrastructure, WattEV has created a comprehensive solution to convert diesel users to battery-electric vehicle operators, resulting in significant pollution reduction. By the conclusion of 2030, WattEV aims to establish 52 stations, reflecting a substantial dedication based on the belief that medium and heavy-duty electric vehicles (MHDEVs) will play a pivotal role in the future of freight transport throughout the U.S. To support this initiative, WattEV employs various models and estimates to analyze both present conditions and anticipated growth. WattEV's tested site designs and diverse range of station development expertise ensures efficient, interconnected, and safe operations for all drivers – each station is exclusively tailored for MHDEV access. The layout of Combined Charging System (CCS) and Megawatt Charging System (MCS) chargers incorporates advanced techniques such as pull-through charging and spacious parking areas for easy vehicle maneuvering as well as passenger vehicle parking for fleet drivers.

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WattEV recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Sincerely,

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Salim Youssefzadeh, CEO

March 27, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
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Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Regional Proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Waev Inc., I write to express our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

Waev is a U.S. electric vehicle (EV) manufacturer with its headquarters and sole factory located within the South Coast AQMD in Anaheim, California. Waev manufactures, distributes, markets and supports GEM electric Low-Speed Vehicles (LSVs), Taylor-Dunn electric industrial vehicles and Tiger electric tow tractors and conversion kits for airport ground support operations.

All of our vehicles are engineered for dense, low-speed environments – like city centers and campuses like airports, rail yards, logistics hubs, factories and warehouses. They all provide a more cost-efficient way to acquire and operate EVs, and they all help knock down barriers to go electric. They are all centered on being easy to charge, easy to maintain, easy to operate, and easy to service with parts.

- [Taylor-Dunn](#) replaces gas tractors, trucks, vans, UTVs, and golf carts with a durable steel body workhorse that can haul and tow as much as full size pick-ups, but with price, range, and speed are purpose-built for airport, rail, logistics and manufacturing campuses.
- [Tiger](#) replaces gas and diesel tractors with a smart and modern Li Ion Tractor that operates and is serviced like the familiar Tug tractor and our re-power kits converts similar gas and diesel tractors to Li-Ion power.
- [GEM](#) replaces cars, vans, trucks, UTVs, golf carts with an EV that has automotive safety and in-cab features like full doors and heat, but with a price, range, and speed that is purpose-built for airport, logistics and manufacturing campuses as well as city centers and other dense, low-speed communities.

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border to zero-emission technologies. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust

workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

INVEST CLEAN will drive innovative and sustainable changes within the goods movement industry, a major source of greenhouse gas emissions in Southern California. These efforts will foster economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S. made zero-emission vehicles and equipment, like Waev's EVs built in Southern California. Furthermore, it will serve as a catalyst for nationwide improvements in goods movement by establishing a blueprint and leveraging economies of scale.

Waev recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Sincerely,

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Keith D. Simon
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Re: South Coast Air Clean Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Regional Proposal, INVEST CLEAN

To:

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

From: Ryan Gaul,
President Commercial Vehicles, Workhorse Group Inc

Date: March 28th, 2024

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Workhorse Group Inc, I write to express our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

Workhorse believes strongly in the dire and pressing need to put the entire support of private industry and government – working in partnership – behind driving the adoption of clean energy production, delivery and transportation technologies in the United States. We are prepared to deliver thousands of new, American made, class 4 through 6 trucks to the market each year. In doing so, we create high-quality manufacturing and technology jobs for Americans, and reduce our dependence on other nations for manufacturing while improving our energy independence. The adoption of these technologies and support of their growth in the United States is a necessary and significant contributor to our climate goals as well as our national security and quality of life. We implore you to act.

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Workhorse recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Sincerely,

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Ryan Gaul

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March 27, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
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Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Regional Proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of XL Lifts, I write to express our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

XL Lifts specializes in low- and zero-emission forklifts, parts and chargers for California-based material handling companies/organizations.

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XL Lifts recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment

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Sincerely,

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Mike Marzahl, President
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3/22/2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Xos, Inc., I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

Xos, a leading company in the electrification of medium and heavy-duty vehicles, stands to benefit significantly from the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) program to advance its research in this field. With CPRG funds, Xos can accelerate its efforts in several key areas crucial to the electrification of medium and heavy-duty electric vehicles.

Firstly, the funds could be allocated towards the development of high-powered charging infrastructure. Investing in this technology would enable Xos to address one of the primary challenges of electric vehicle adoption in commercial fleets: long charging times. By improving charging infrastructure, Xos can facilitate faster and more convenient charging for its electric vehicles, thus enhancing their attractiveness to fleet operators.

Secondly, CPRG funds could be used for the development of large-scale, efficient energy storage solutions. Efficient energy storage systems are essential for maximizing the range and performance of electric vehicles, particularly for heavy-duty applications where energy demands are high.

Lastly, the funds could support research into rapidly swappable battery systems for heavy-duty on-highway and off-highway vehicles. Swappable battery systems offer a promising solution to address range limitations and downtime associated with traditional charging methods. By developing rapidly swappable battery systems, Xos can provide fleet operators with greater flexibility and uptime, ultimately driving the adoption of electric vehicles in the medium and heavy-duty sector.



In summary, leveraging CPRG funds, Xos can advance research and development efforts in high-powered charging, large-scale energy storage, and rapidly swappable battery systems for medium and heavy-duty electric vehicles. By investing in these critical areas, Xos aims to accelerate the electrification of commercial fleets and contribute to a cleaner, more sustainable transportation future.

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Xos, Inc., recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Dakota Semler
Chief Executive Officer
Xos, Inc.



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March 25, 2023

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
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Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of The Yorba Linda Chamber of Commerce, I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

The Yorba Linda Chamber of Commerce stands firmly behind the request for \$500M to fund incentives aimed at facilitating the zero-emissions transformation of the Southern California goods movement corridor. With transportation being a significant contributor to greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution in our region, it's imperative to take bold steps towards sustainable alternatives. By focusing on key areas hindering the adoption of zero-emission medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, as well as supporting sectors with the greatest need, we can catalyze meaningful change. Investing in these initiatives not only benefits the environment but also promotes economic growth that is important to our local businesses and enhances the overall well-being of our communities. We urge policymakers to prioritize this crucial funding to accelerate the transition towards a cleaner, healthier future for all.

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border to zero-emission technologies. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging

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The Yorba Linda Chamber of Commerce recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. By supporting the adoption of zero-emission vehicles and equipment, businesses can reduce operational costs, improve efficiency, and remain competitive in evolving markets. Additionally, investing in sustainable infrastructure and technologies will attract investment, foster innovation, and stimulate job creation, ultimately strengthening the economic resilience of our communities. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Alexander Berrios - Hernandez
Policy Advocate, Yorba Linda Chamber of Commerce

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March 29, 2024

Wayne Natri
Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Re: Endorsement of the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Regional Proposal INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Natri,

With enthusiasm and commitment to a sustainable future, the Leonard Transportation Center at California State University, San Bernardino, extends its strong support for the INVEST CLEAN initiative led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG). This transformative proposal is a beacon of hope for achieving significant advancements in air quality, climate equity, and economic growth within our region and beyond.

The INVEST CLEAN initiative is a commendable effort that aligns with the Leonard Transportation Center's mission to foster innovative solutions for transportation challenges in Southern California. We recognize the pressing need for a transition to zero-emission goods movement corridors to combat climate change and improve community health. The initiative's focus on overcoming barriers such as inadequate charging infrastructure and the high costs associated with zero-emission vehicles resonates with our research and policy advocacy efforts.

We are particularly inspired by the holistic approach of INVEST CLEAN, which not only addresses environmental concerns but also emphasizes economic and social equity. The project's commitment to workforce training and development, especially in partnership with educational institutions and community organizations, is a crucial step toward building a skilled workforce ready to support the green economy. At the Leonard Transportation Center, we are dedicated to contributing to this effort through our research programs, community engagement, and workforce development.

The collaboration between the South Coast AQMD, educational institutions, industry partners, and communities is a testament to the power of collective action in addressing the challenges of climate change and air pollution. We are eager to lend our expertise and resources to support the successful implementation of INVEST CLEAN. By working together, we can ensure a cleaner, healthier, and more prosperous future for all residents of Southern California and set a precedent for sustainable goods movement nationwide.

Please consider the Leonard Transportation Center as a committed partner in this vital initiative. We look forward to the opportunity to contribute to the INVEST CLEAN project and to the positive impacts it will have on our communities and the environment.

Sincerely,



Kimberly Collins, Ph.D.
Executive Director



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March 22, 2024

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*Re: Support for the Climate Pollution Reductions Grant regional proposal led by South Coast Air Quality Management District, **Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN)***

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

The CSU5+ institutions (Long Beach, Los Angeles, Pomona, Northridge, Dominguez Hills and Fullerton) support the implementation of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) regional application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). INVEST CLEAN addresses the critical need for a skilled workforce to drive the transformation of and sustain a zero-emissions Southern California goods movement system.

The INVEST CLEAN project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and is supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA), as well as the State of California.

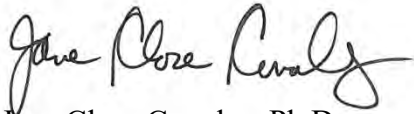
Our institutions are focused on fostering the growth of quality jobs and equitable opportunities in the heavy-duty zero-emission vehicle infrastructure throughout the South Coast Air Basin. For the transportation electrification initiatives, we are focused on curriculum development, capstone projects and research. Through the proposed project, we look forward to engaging students and professionals seeking retraining, offering specialized curriculum and certificate programs designed to impart essential skills and expertise. We would also support corresponding knowledge transfer to community colleges. These programs will further aim at preparing individuals for careers in project management, implementation and other business disciplines for zero-emission infrastructure.

We look forward to supporting local industry partners in their development of quality jobs, particularly in low-income disadvantaged communities grappling with air pollution challenges. INVEST CLEAN will help to grow career pathways for first generation students, women in engineering, veterans and other programs. We appreciate that this workforce will be working on zero emission applications of trucks cargo handling, and locomotive emissions in areas near

major freeways, rail yards, and warehouses. We aim to create a more sustainable and equitable future for all, and believe in centering frontline communities in this opportunity.

We support INVEST CLEAN and are committed to training a diverse and skilled workforce to lead the zero-emission transformation of the Southern California goods movement. Together, we can empower individuals to become leaders in the transition to a more sustainable future while also fostering economic prosperity and environmental stewardship in our communities. We look forward to seeing the positive impact that INVEST CLEAN will have on our community and beyond.

Sincerely,



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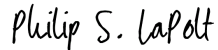
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March 27, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer

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Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of GRID Alternatives Greater Los Angeles (GLA), I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

For the past two years, GLA has worked with local clean transportation partners on the e-TRUC project that is piloting charging infrastructure for Medium/Heavy Duty trucks along the 710-freeway corridor. Project goals include ensuring that local communities are educated and engaged regarding the eventual installation of charging stations to ensure they have a voice in the final placement of these stations in their communities. As well, GLA was tasked with determining workforce development requirements and opportunities that will be attainable and equitable for all local community members. We are confident that with continued funding, we will be able to complete the pilot and share lessons learned to promote best practices for future charging infrastructure projects in CA. and across the country.

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border to zero-emission technologies. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas

emissions. INVEST CLEAN will drive innovative and sustainable changes within the goods movement industry, a major source of greenhouse gas emissions in Southern California.

These efforts will foster economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S. made vehicles and equipment. Furthermore, it will serve as a catalyst for nationwide improvements in goods movement by establishing a blueprint and leveraging economies of scale.

GRID Alternatives Greater Los Angeles recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Sincerely,



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March 25, 2024

Wayne Natri
Executive Officer
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Re: Support for the Climate Pollution Reductions Grant regional proposal led by South Coast Air Quality Management District, Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN)

Dear Executive Officer Natri:

The following institutions support and are committed to the implementation of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) regional application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). INVEST CLEAN addresses the critical need for a skilled workforce to drive the transformation of and sustain a zero-emissions Southern California goods movement system.

The INVEST CLEAN project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA) as well as the State of California.

Each of our institutions is focused on fostering the growth of quality jobs and equitable opportunities in the heavy-duty zero-emission vehicle infrastructure sector throughout the South Coast Air Basin. Through our initiatives, we are focused on curriculum development by in cooperating student capstones and research, while using inclusive recruitment practices for worker safety and training and workers' rights for medium and heavy duty zero emission vehicle infrastructure. In the future, we look forward to engaging students and professionals seeking retraining, offering specialized curriculum and certificate programs designed to impart essential skills and expertise at community college level and at centers. These programs prepare individuals for careers in pre-apprenticeship, safety training, engineering management, or project implementation for zero-emission infrastructure.

We look forward to supporting the development of local quality jobs in collaboration with local industry partners, particularly in low-income disadvantaged communities grappling with air pollution challenges. INVEST CLEAN will help



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INVEST CLEAN will also provide a pathway for students in our programs to address equity issues by deploying zero-emission infrastructure and related benefits in low-income disadvantaged communities. This will help to support meaningful local economic growth and innovation in sustainable technologies.

We support INVEST CLEAN and are committed to training and employing a diverse and skilled workforce to lead the zero-emission transformation of the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to the California border. Together, we can empower individuals to become leaders in the transition to a more sustainable future while also fostering economic prosperity and environmental stewardship in our communities. We look forward to seeing the positive impact that INVEST CLEAN will have on our community and beyond.

Sincerely,

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Melissa Infusino
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March 24, 2024

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Re: Support for the Climate Pollution Reductions Grant regional proposal led by South Coast Air Quality Management District, Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN)

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

The University of California Advanced Power and Energy Program (UCI-APEP) is pleased to support the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) regional application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District. INVEST CLEAN addresses the critical need for a skilled workforce to drive the transformation of and sustain a zero-emissions southern California goods movement system. UCI-APEP is uniquely positioned to support the effort in workforce development and complementary areas including air quality assessment, and the spatial and temporal deployment of zero-emission charging and hydrogen fueling infrastructure, smart grid technology, and clean energy systems.

UCI-APEP has an extensive set of capabilities to support the development of specialized curriculum and certificate programs designed to impart essential skills and expertise at both the university and community college levels. The community college programs prepare individuals for careers in pre-apprenticeship, safety training, equipment management, and project implementation for zero-emission infrastructure. The university programs prepare individuals for careers in the design of zero-emission infrastructure, clean energy systems, engineering management, policy, and economics. UCI APEP has strong relationships with the multiple and diverse stakeholders for job positions in a zero-emission future spanning numerous specializations and sectors including but not limited to education, research, engineering, design and development, manufacturing, sales, and technical support.

As one example, UCI-APEP is actively collaborating with the Orange County Regional Consortium of community colleges through Saddleback College, a regional leader in developing and promoting workforce development in emerging industry sectors including zero emission automobile technology and infrastructure. UCI-APEP is assisting in the development of curriculum to train a growing workforce in alternative fuel vehicles and infrastructure. Saddleback currently offers an Alternative Fuel Vehicle Technician Certification and is planning to expand course offerings to include electronics repair, advanced driver assistance systems (ADAS) repair, and fuel cell vehicle technologies. Saddleback is also coordinating with the broader Orange County community college community regarding automotive courses. UCI APEP is collaborating with Saddleback to identify additional

collaboration opportunities, including future coursework development, guest lectures, and hands-on research projects. Critical topic areas for coursework expansion include hydrogen fuel cell electric vehicle technologies and ZEV infrastructure. This collaboration includes exploring future grants to fund expanding ZEV and infrastructure curriculum throughout the Orange County and Los Angeles community colleges.

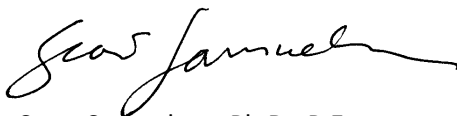
In addition, UCI-APEP is serving an advisory role in the development of the South Orange County Community College District Advanced Technology and Education Park (ATEP) in Tustin, CA. Construction for Saddleback@ATEP broke ground on March 1, 2023. Saddleback@ATEP will house an advanced automotive program at the facility that includes four classrooms as well as laboratory facilities, including a state-of-the-art automotive technology high bay laboratory.

Complementing workforce development are the efforts of UCI-APEP in outreach which today include leadership in the Stationary Fuel Cell Collaborative, the Hydrogen Fuel Cell Partnership, the Clean Cities program in collaboration with the Southern California Association of Governments, and the Alliance for Renewable Clean Hydrogen Energy Systems (ARCHES) which itself is positioned to create over 200,000 green jobs in California.

The workforce training and outreach currently being conducted by UCI-APEP is directly germane to needs of INVEST CLEAN and thereby provides an opportunity to build upon and leverage the prior work to assure (1) alignment of the work with INVEST CLEAN in a manner that can assist in supporting the development of local quality jobs in collaboration with local industry partners, particularly in low-income disadvantaged communities grappling with air pollution challenges, and (2) an effective and efficient use of budget resources.

Please contact me should you need further information.

Sincerely,

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Scott Samuelsen, Ph.D., P.E.

Distinguished Professor

Mechanical, Aerospace, and Environmental Engineering

Founding Director, Advanced Power and Energy Program

March 19, 2024

Wayne Natri
Executive Officer
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*Re: Support for the Climate Pollution Reductions Grant regional proposal led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District, **Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN)***

Dear Executive Officer Natri:

I am writing to support the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD)'s INVEST CLEAN proposal, which addresses the critical need for a skilled workforce to drive the transformation of and sustain a zero-emissions Southern California goods movement system. The College of Engineering – Center for Environmental Research and Technology (CE-CERT) is committed to supporting the implementation of this U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) regional application.

Established in 1992 and now operating as the largest research center at the University of California at Riverside, CE-CERT brings together multiple disciplines throughout campus to address society's most pressing environmental challenges in air, energy, and transportation. Our interdisciplinary research model brings together faculty and students from a variety of backgrounds to work cooperatively on hands-on research from several engineering fields as well as schools outside of engineering including public policy, and natural and agricultural Sciences. Public service is also a key component of CE-CERT's activities, including holding conferences, forums, K-12 engagement events, and other activities that bring together members of our community. CE-CERT collaborates with industry on numerous projects to develop, validate, and improve technologies related to energy and the environment, and to implement pilot scale demonstration and testbeds to vet the viability of new technologies on a usable scale.

As you know, CE-CERT and the South Coast AQMD have a long history of successful collaboration on a wide range of RD&D projects that have made significant contributions towards reducing air pollution in the South Coast region and advancing the state of the art on emissions control, secondary pollutant formation, renewable energy, sustainable transportation, and other areas. With support from the South Coast AQMD, CE-CERT has also initiated a workforce training program that will offer a number of introductory to advanced training courses on relevant topics that will be offered to agency staff, stakeholder employees, and the general public.



UCR is a designated Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) and Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institution (AANAPISI) and is proud to serve a student body of 58% new and continuing first-generation students. We are committed to training the next generation workforce, to inclusive recruitment and curriculum, including in critical areas such as research and development for medium- and heavy-duty zero emission vehicle infrastructure that will help with providing solutions and a professional workforce for the local and national transition to zero emission goods movement.

The INVEST CLEAN project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA) as well as the State of California. INVEST CLEAN will also provide a pathway for students in our programs to address equity issues by deploying zero-emission infrastructure and related benefits such as living wage careers in low-income disadvantaged communities. This will help to support meaningful local economic growth and innovation in sustainable technologies.

We support INVEST CLEAN and are committed to training and employing a diverse and skilled workforce to lead the zero-emission transformation of the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to the California border. Together, we can empower individuals to become leaders in the transition to a more sustainable future while also fostering economic prosperity and environmental stewardship in our communities. We look forward to seeing the positive impact that INVEST CLEAN will have on our community and beyond.

Sincerely,

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Don Collins,
Yeager Families Professor of Chemical and Environmental Engineering
Director of the Center for Environmental Research and Technology (CE-CERT)
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March 26th, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
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Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the UC Riverside School of Public Policy, I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

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benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

INVEST CLEAN will drive innovative and sustainable changes within the goods movement industry, a major source of greenhouse gas emissions in Southern California. These efforts will foster economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S. made vehicles and equipment. Furthermore, it will serve as a catalyst for nationwide improvements in goods movement by establishing a blueprint and leveraging economies of scale.

The UCR School of Public Policy recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Sincerely,

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Rick Bishop

Co-Director,

Inland Center for Sustainable Development,
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Dr. Qingfang Wang,

Professor,

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Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer

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Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri,

I am writing to express support for the INVEST CLEAN initiative. I am especially enthusiastic about the support this grant would bring for the transition to electric vehicles in the logistics center. Because warehouses are located in areas which are disproportionately lower income and minority and already over-burdened with environmental impacts, the initiative will promote environmental justice in our region while reducing air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions more generally.

Sincerely,

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Chaffee Chair and Chair of the Department of Environmental Studies



March 26, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
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Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal, INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of the City of Banning Electric Utility (Utility), I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

The City of Banning is located on the I-10 corridor that goes through the San Geronimo Pass just west of Palm Springs. Reductions in emissions from the multitude of trucks that drive the I-10 through Banning would greatly improve the air quality within the city. The I-10 corridor through the pass is also in need of more EV charging stations.

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border to zero-emission technologies. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

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foster economic expansion by promoting the manufacturing of U.S. made vehicles and equipment. Furthermore, it will serve as a catalyst for nationwide improvements in goods movement by establishing a blueprint and leveraging economies of scale.

The Utility recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We wholeheartedly endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We earnestly advocate for the EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please feel free to contact me for any reason regarding our support for this invaluable project.

Sincerely,



Jim Steffens
Acting Director
City of Banning Electric Utility



Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
South Coast Air Quality Management District
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March 28, 2024

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

On behalf of Colton Electric Utility (CEU), I write to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) for Los Angeles – Long Beach – Orange County and Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the State of California.

CEU will continue to support funding opportunities that benefit the advancement of electrification of medium and heavy-duty vehicles.

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational initiative aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border to zero-emission technologies. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

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Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant regional proposal,
INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

The Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) is pleased to offer our support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). South Coast AQMD's Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with U.S. EPA's ambitious CPRG goals, Justice40, and Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, "National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy." It is an all-of-government project with strong industry, labor, and community participants and supported by the Priority Climate Action Plans (PCAPs) across Southern California.

IEUA serves approximately 935,000 residents in western San Bernardino County and is proud of our reputation of promoting greater water supply reliability through significant contributions to a diversified regional water supply portfolio, including water from stormwater capture, recycling and reuse, and imported water supplies. We continue to be fully committed to ensuring long-term success for the region by leading the way in water resource management, and environmental sustainability, and providing essential sanitation services in a regionally planned and cost-effective manner while safeguarding public health and promoting economic development. In addition to our renewable energy resources that offset approximately 9% of our overall operating energy needs, we are making strides by developing a Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Readiness Plan, replacing existing vehicles with ZEV, studying affected vehicles use behavior and proposing changes to minimize the fleet impact, and installing electric vehicles charging stations and infrastructure.

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The INVEST CLEAN initiative is aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border to zero-emission technologies. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with labor and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

IEUA recognizes the critical importance of projects like INVEST CLEAN to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, spur economic growth, and generate employment opportunities while delivering community benefits. We endorse this initiative and are committed to supporting the project's vision and objectives, recognizing its potential to foster a greener, more sustainable future that benefits all.

We respectfully request EPA's favorable consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Please contact Ashley Womack, Grants and Government Affairs Officer, at awomack@ieua.org, should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY



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SUBJECT: Letter of Intended Support for the South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant proposal, INVEST CLEAN.

Southern California Edison ("SCE") is pleased to offer this letter of intended support for the proposal entitled regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application submitted by South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) in response to the Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN).

SCE, a subsidiary of Edison International ("EIX"), is an investor-owned electric utility operating in the State of California, covering over 50,000 square miles and serving 15 million people. SCE has a strong interest in successfully enabling promising technologies and supporting the long-term success of the cities and customers within the SCE service area. As such, SCE agrees with the Project's overall goals to overcome barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement corridor from the Coast through the Inland Valley to California's border to zero-emission technologies. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, cost of medium-and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. INVEST CLEAN is also designed to uplift community benefits through a robust workforce training program in partnership with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and educational institutions. Further, INVEST CLEAN integrates community input and benefits into projects and creates an innovative program to help mitigate the impacts of goods movement on our most vulnerable residents in coordination with existing efforts while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

SCE's potential participation in this project is expected to work closely with South Coast AQMD and project partners to help identify grid capacity for proposed projects and help with national efforts on lessons learned from this project to help scale electrification of goods movement nationally with the scope of the activities to be mutually acceptable to SCE and the South Coast Air Quality Management District. Because this is an unfunded collaboration and SCE will not be seeking reimbursement from the South Coast Air Quality Management District, SCE expects to be able to provide this type of support



without being subject to the terms and conditions that may apply to a sub-recipient or vendor for the project.

Any potential participation or support provided by SCE is conditioned upon the successful negotiation of mutually acceptable contractual arrangements. For the avoidance of doubt, this letter may not be construed by the South Coast Air Quality Management District or any third party as creating any legally binding obligation by SCE.

We support the advancement of this project and wish for a successful outcome from the proposal selection process.

Sincerely,

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Director of Clean Energy and Demand Response
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