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

RE: Letter of Support: City of Waco, Texas MSW 948A Landfill Novel Landfill Gas to Renewable Energy and Solar Utility, Grant Opportunity Number: EPA-R-OAR-CPRG1-1-07

Dear Administrator Regan:

I write to express my strong support for the City of Waco's application for the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants: Implementation Grants General Competition which is designed to assist localities like Waco to strategically reduce greenhouse gases that adversely impact our community.

The City of Waco is seeking federal funding in the amount of \$86,476,995 for two greenhouse reduction facilities at an existing landfill site located in Woodway, Texas (wholly owned by the City of Waco, Texas). The first part of the facilities is a Landfill Gas Waste-to-Renewable Energy plant that is vital to the reduction of greenhouse gases (GHG) in the environment. The City of Waco has already or will have invested \$2.9M in this plant. The second portion of the plant is an energy interconnected solar utility plant that will provide continuous renewable energy, further reducing emissions from fossil fuel plants. In addition, it will provide electrical energy to Waco thereby reducing utility bills and assisting many disadvantaged communities in the region.

These facilities will assist local industries either directly or indirectly with power, provide heat and/or treated landfill gas, provide a resilient source of electrical energy, and mitigate climate changes. The City's proposal is consistent with **local planning priorities. Areas of persistent poverty and disadvantaged areas of the community** will benefit from this facility as will nearby high-density housing developments.

The City of Waco is eager to implement this greenhouse reducing measure and work in partnership with the Administration to improve our community's climate and resilience. I offer my full support to this proposal and urge your favorable consideration of the City of Waco's application.

Sincerely

Pete Sessions
Member of Congress