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**RE: Letter of Commitment for the State Transportation Electrification application for a
Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program (CPRG) - EPA-R-OAR-CPRGI-23-07**

Dear Director Dowd:

The Virginia Department of Energy (Virginia Energy) is writing to express their strong support for Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) application for EPA CPRG Implementation grant funds to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the transportation sector, a major source of GHGs in Virginia. As a partnering organization, we commit to implementation of the Virginia Energy Electric Vehicle (EV) Rebate Program in alignment with the technical description detailed in this grant application.

Virginia Energy has led and supported a range of transportation decarbonization programs, from initial EV planning, charger deployments and ecosystem pilot projects, and facilitated a shared stakeholder process for planning transportation solutions in energy and environmental issues. Virginia Energy led a stakeholder process and drafted a brief for the General Assembly on electric vehicle rebate incentive implementation. Virginia Energy also understands and recognizes state implementation language in our state code for this rebate.

Virginia Energy understands that we will be both a partner and subrecipient to DEQ if funding for the proposed activities in this application is awarded. Under EPA's CPRG Program, subawards must be consistent with the definition of that term in 2 CFR 200.1 and comply with EPA's Subaward Policy. As a subrecipient, **Virginia Energy** will be accountable to DEQ entity for proper use of EPA funding, and we commit to fulfilling the subaward reporting requirements to DEQ.

We are aware that strong community partnerships and networks are needed to successfully leverage funding through EPA's CPRG implementation grant program to advance critical environmental, climate, and public health solutions across the Commonwealth of Virginia. We work closely with our air division at DEQ, with our communities, and with our Commonwealth's alternative fuel stakeholders. We are also committed to prioritizing disadvantaged and underserved communities within the Commonwealth of Virginia and throughout the implementation of this grant.

Sincerely,



Glenn Davis

Director

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