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EPA Office of Air and Radiation

To whom it may concern:

We, the undersigned, support the application for the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) program planning grant submitted by the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC) for the Milwaukee-Waukesha, WI MSA. SEWRPC is the official areawide planning agency for the southeastern region of the State of Wisconsin, which includes the four counties that constitute the Milwaukee-Waukesha MSA: Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Washington, and Waukesha Counties. This planning effort is focused on the four-county MSA and the City and County, and oversight of the project will rest with the City of Milwaukee and County of Milwaukee and a workgroup established expressly for this project.

We are also writing to express our support for the substantial work that has been undertaken over the last three-year period to develop Milwaukee's Climate and Equity Plan, which will serve as the foundational document for the CPRG planning effort. Milwaukee's Climate and Equity Plan includes a wide range of analyses and strategies that closely align with the CPRG Planning Grant Objectives to:

- Improve understanding of current and future GHG emissions
- Adopt and implement ambitious policies and programs to reduce GHG emissions
- Collaborate closely with other entities
- Explore opportunities to leverage other sources of funding
- Prioritize actions and policies that will be durable, replicable, and provide certainty in pollution reductions
- Adopt robust metrics and reporting programs to track emissions reductions

My jurisdiction will endeavor to work with SEWRPC, the City of Milwaukee, and other collaborating jurisdictions to build upon Milwaukee's Climate and Equity Plan as the climate pollution reduction plan for the Milwaukee Metropolitan Area. As local governments, we reserve the right to tailor some of the strategies in Milwaukee's Climate and Equity Plan to our specific communities while using this grant opportunity to collaborate regionally to reduce climate pollution.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

/s/ Cavalier Johnson
Mayor
City of Milwaukee

/s/ Shawn Reilly
Mayor
City of Waukesha

/s/ David Crowley
County Executive
Milwaukee County

/s/ Dale Shaver
Director, Department of Parks and Land Use
Waukesha County

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County Administrator
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/s/ Kevin Shafer
Executive Director
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/s/ Andy Pederson
Village Manager
Village of Bayside

/s/ David Simpson, P.E.
Director of Public Works
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