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Re: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program: Implementation Grant Coalition Member Letter of Intent - EPA-R-OAR-CPRGI-23-07 for the Bay Area Clean Homes Initiative

Dear US EPA Office of Air and Radiation,

By applying as the lead applicant and a coalition member for the Bay Area Healthy Homes Initiative (BACHI), the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) is committed to implementing the BACHI, an innovative project that will deliver short and long-term greenhouse gas (GHG) reductions through a replicable model that combines shovel-ready home retrofits with strategic interventions to unlock the region's ability to scale residential decarbonization. ABAG, along with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD), are submitting this application for funding as coalition members and will be responsible for two Implementation Actions.

As the lead coalition member, ABAG will oversee Implementing Action 1. In addition, ABAG will oversee all work completed by BAAQMD and will coordinate with BAAQMD to ensure consistent and clear reporting of progress on all tasks outlined in Implementing Action 2.

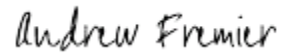
- **Implementing Action 1: Decarbonize up to 1,500 homes in disadvantaged communities through holistic retrofits.**
- **Implementing Action 2: Develop and deploy key interventions to remove systemic barriers to scaling decarbonization.**

This coalition model ensures that each action will be completed simultaneously and therefore will inform the other, creating opportunities to test and evaluate new solutions while providing direct benefits to Low Income/Disadvantaged Communities (LIDAC). Both coalition members, and all project partners, are committed to documenting and disseminating lessons learned to also ensure that the BACHI model can be replicated in other regions to further scale impact.

ABAG intends to sign a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District before July 1st, 2024.

By signing onto this Letter of Intent to sign a Memorandum of Agreement for the BACHI Coalition, the Association of Bay Area Governments agrees to fulfill its roles and accountabilities as a member of the Coalition.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrew Fremier". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Andrew B. Fremier
Executive Director
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