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The Honorable Anthony R. Foxx
Secretary
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Letter of Support for the San Diego Unified Port District's Tenth Avenue Marine Terminal Modernization Project

MISSION:

To accelerate
clean technology
innovation and
adoption of sustainable
business practices
for the benefit of
the economy and
the environment

Dear Secretary Foxx,

On behalf of Cleantech San Diego, please accept this letter as one of support for the Port of San Diego's application for Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE) funding in support of the Tenth Avenue Marine Terminal (TAMT) Modernization Project (Phase II).

As you know, the Port of San Diego is seeking \$7.2 million to fund sixty percent of the \$12M second phase of the TAMT Modernization Project. Funding will be used to provide rail efficiency improvements and numerous environmental upgrades – a barge bonnet system to improve air quality, a new bulk loader enclosure, the removal of dilapidated molasses tanks, and storm water mitigation. The Port of San Diego is one of the busiest niche port facilities in the United States, helping to feed the World's sixth largest economy, and playing a major role in the Southern California freight network. Funding for this project will provide significant economic, environmental, and freight mobility benefits for our region.

Cleantech San Diego is a non-profit business organization that positions the greater San Diego region as a global leader in the cleantech economy. We support the cleantech industry by fostering collaborations across the private-public-academic landscape, leading advocacy efforts to promote cleantech priorities, and encouraging investment in the San Diego region. The Port of San Diego is a significant contributor to our region's cleantech economy and is making significant advancements that benefit our region's environment and economy.

We enthusiastically support the Port of San Diego's grant application and respectfully request its approval. Should you have any questions regarding our support, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason Anderson".

Jason Anderson
President and CEO
Cleantech San Diego