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**Re: 2012 ACI-NA Environmental Achievement Awards**

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of CleanTECH San Diego, I am pleased to endorse the San Diego Regional Airport Authority's groundbreaking FY 2011 Sustainability Report for a 2012 ACI-NA Environmental Achievement Award in the Innovative / Special Projects Category.

CleanTECH San Diego is a nonprofit association focused on accelerating the greater San Diego region's transition to a clean energy economy. We have a broad and diverse membership that includes private sector companies, local governments, nongovernmental agencies and universities and research institutions.

We recognize the San Diego Regional Airport Authority's sustainability reporting efforts as a powerful agent in advancing our agenda. By becoming the first airport operator in the United States to issue a sustainability report based on internationally-recognized Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) guidelines, the San Diego Regional Airport Authority provides a valuable example of how public agencies in the transportation sector can embrace sustainability reporting.

It should be noted that companies in the private sector can learn from the innovative aspects of the San Diego Regional Airport Authority's inaugural sustainability report, with its easy-to-navigate digital platform that encourages understanding and sharing of the information.

Given this pioneering effort to raise the bar for public sector sustainability reporting, CleanTECH San Diego highly recommends the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority for a 2012 ACI-NA Environmental Achievement Award. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jim Waring