

April 21, 2016

2159 INDIA STREET SUITE 200 SAN DIEGO, CA 92101 858-568-7777

cleantechsandiego.org

Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development 1325 J Street, Suite 1800 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support for Interra's California Competes Tax Credit Program Application

Dear California Competes Tax Credit Committee:

On behalf of Cleantech San Diego, please accept this letter as one of support for the application for tax credits under the California Competes Tax Credit program. Interra's proposal presents California with a promising technology solution that will create permanent high-paying jobs, protect our environment, and help mitigate global climate change.

Cleantech San Diego is a nonprofit member organization that positions the greater San Diego region, including Imperial County, as a global leader in the cleantech economy. The organization achieves this by fostering collaborations across the private-public-academic landscape, leading advocacy efforts to promote cleantech priorities, and encouraging investment in the San Diego region. Interra has participated in our SCRUB program, aimed at supporting early-stage cleantech companies in the region, and is a valued member of San Diego's cleantech community.

Interra has put together a team that is well suited to develop and commercialize this groundbreaking biorenewable technology. Its founder, Thomas Del Monte, is a recognized expert in the bioenergy/biofuel fields and has presented at numerous conferences.

Cleantech San Diego is excited to continue to support Interra, and we respectfully request you to do the same.

Sincerely,

Jason Anderson President and CEO Cleantech San Diego