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**Re: Letter of Support for the Energy Policy Initiatives Center in Reference to RFP 5004841**

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of Cleantech San Diego, please accept this letter as one of support for the Energy Policy Initiatives Center's (EPIC) proposal for Climate Planning Services.

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. To achieve this, we foster collaborations across the private-public-academic landscape, lead advocacy efforts to promote cleantech priorities, and encourage investment in the San Diego region. Our members include more than 100 local businesses, universities, governments, and nonprofits committed to advancing sustainable solutions for the benefit of the economy and the environment.

Cleantech San Diego recently won a \$5 million grant from the California Energy Commission (CEC) to help commercialize innovative energy technologies in Southern California. The University of San Diego, led by EPIC, is a key partner on this project. EPIC will provide regulatory and policy support to help candidate entrepreneurs better understand the constraints and incentives in the marketplace and provide technical energy and greenhouse gas analysis to help measure the impacts of the energy technologies towards California's ambitious climate goals.

EPIC was chosen as a key partner of our CEC project because of its reputation as a thoughtful and objective voice in energy and climate policy discussions. From its work on climate action planning with cities in the San Diego region to policy development throughout the state, EPIC has proven itself to be a trusted asset. As SANDAG continues to support local climate planning, I believe EPIC will be a valuable resource and partner that will help you advance our regional climate planning goals.

Should you have any questions regarding our relationship with EPIC, please do not hesitate to contact me at 858-568-7777 or [jasona@cleantechsandiego.org](mailto:jasona@cleantechsandiego.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason Anderson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jason Anderson  
President and CEO  
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