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RE: Letter of Support for CEC RFP-18-802, "Technology Transfer for EPIC Research Projects"

Dear Mr. Harvey:

MISSION:

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

On behalf of Cleantech San Diego, please accept this letter of support for the submission of the Momentum Team to the California Energy Commission (CEC) under RFP-18-802: "Technology Transfer for EPIC Research Projects."

Cleantech San Diego is business organization that positions the greater San Diego region as a global leader in the cleantech economy. 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.

As part of the CEC's Regional Energy Innovation Clusters, Cleantech San Diego leads the San Diego Regional Energy Innovation Network (SDREIN), which provides services to entrepreneurs in San Diego, Imperial, San Bernardino, and Riverside counties. To date, SDREIN has supported 27 startups (24 are current participants), who employ more than 144 people, and have raised \$15.9M of private capital and \$1.2M of public funding.

As identified in their proposal, the Momentum Team will increase the impact of the EPIC Program by ensuring information on EPIC-funded projects is effectively disseminated and communicated to stakeholders, industry leaders, and the general public. It will do this by:

- Developing and implementing a Digital Technology Transfer Strategy for EPIC, including redesigning and increasing the functionality of the Energy Commission-owned Energy Innovation Showcase website;
- Conducting nine high-profile forums discussing key topics affecting the electricity sector; and
- Planning, producing, and managing the annual EPIC Symposium in 2020 and 2021.

The San Diego region has greatly benefitted from the EPIC Program. In support of the proposal, Cleantech San Diego and SDREIN are committed to working with the Momentum Team to ensure the benefits associated with the EPIC Program, as they relate to the SDREIN service territory, are effectively communicated to stakeholders.

We are pleased to support the ambitious efforts of the California Energy Commission and the application of the Momentum Team to broaden the audience and amplify the message in support of these ambitious goals.

Sincerely,

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

Jason Anderson
President and CEO
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