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Additional submitted attachment is included below.

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Re: Cleantech San Diego Support for Smartville (Agenda Item 10, August 10, 2022 Business Meeting)

MISSION:

To accelerate clean technology innovation and promote the equitable deployment of sustainable solutions across the San Diego region for the benefit of the economy, the environment, and all members of the community.

Chairman Hochschild and Commissioners:

On behalf of Cleantech San Diego, please accept this letter of support for the proposed resolution approving Agreement EPC-22-003 with Smartville, Inc. for a \$2,000,000 grant to accelerate its modular assembly energy storage system product development for second-life batteries.

Cleantech San Diego is a member-based business association that works to position the greater San Diego region as a global leader in the cleantech economy. In 2016, Cleantech San Diego was awarded a grant by the CEC to launch the Southern California Energy Innovation Network (SCEIN). The program provides free resources through a consortium of regional partner organizations to help energy entrepreneurs successfully bring their innovations to market. Cleantech San Diego has been working with Smartville as a member of our SCEIN program since February 2019.

Through their innovative battery reconditioning process, Smartville is developing low-cost, easy-to-integrate, and reliable stationary energy storage solutions that increase grid resiliency and enable sustainable repurposing in the energy storage space. Smartville's domestic focus will drive job growth in battery manufacturing, power engineering, and critical material supply chain optimization as they scale their energy storage solutions.

Cleantech San Diego is pleased to provide support for the proposed resolution approving Agreement EPC-22-003 with Smartville. This project will not only support California's clean energy future but will further demonstrate California's leadership in this industry.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jason Anderson
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