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## November 19, 2024

Subject: Letter of Support for SolarAPP Foundation's Application to BRIDGE 2024

On behalf of the Solar Energy Industries Association (SEIA®), I am pleased to express our strong support for the SolarAPP Foundation's application for the *Bringing Rapid Innovation Development to Green Energy (BRIDGE) 2024* funding opportunity.

SEIA has been a central partner in the development and advancement of SolarAPP+ since its inception. Working alongside the Department of Energy, the National Renewable Energy Laboratory, and industry stakeholders, SEIA has contributed leadership and expertise to design and implement a platform that streamlines solar permitting while maintaining rigorous safety and compliance standards. Evelyn Butler, SEIA Vice President of Technical Services serves as Treasurer of the SolarAPP Foundation and has been instrumental in driving the adoption of SolarAPP+, advocating for policies that accelerate solar deployment.

SEIA is committed to the SolarAPP Foundation's mission to ensure the continued growth and sustainability of the SolarAPP+ platform. The Foundation's governance, with equal representation from the solar industry and building code enforcement community, ensures balanced oversight of this vital tool.

With BRIDGE funding, SolarAPP+ will expand its capabilities to include virtual inspections, automated plan reviews, and permitting for residential EV infrastructure, further reducing soft costs and accelerating clean energy adoption. The SolarAPP+ expansion will reduce negative environmental impacts, including carbon emissions and air pollution, by supporting innovation and scaling of clean energy technology. These enhancements align directly with SEIA's mission to promote the responsible growth of the solar industry.

SEIA will leverage our extensive industry experience and networks to ensure this initiative's success. SolarAPP+ has already delivered significant results across the nation, and this project represents a critical opportunity to scale its impact for the benefit of California's communities.

Thank you for the opportunity to support this transformative effort. Should you require additional information, please feel free to contact me at ebutler@seia.org.

Sincerely,

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