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Re: Cleantech San Diego Support for KIGT, Inc. (Agenda Item 12c, May 11, 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 KIGT and the proposed resolution approving Agreement GFO-21-601 with KIGT for a \$1,999,425 grant to design and build an EV charging plaza in Ontario, California that will serve transportation network company (TNC) drivers and other EV drivers, reduce deadhead miles (miles driven with no passenger or cargo) for TNC drivers, and demonstrate a replicable business model.

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 selected by the California Energy Commission to manage the Southern California Energy Innovation Network (SCEIN), an EPIC-funded incubator program that provides services to entrepreneurs who are developing solutions to help California meet its energy goals. Cleantech San Diego has been working with KIGT as a member of our SCEIN program since February 2019.

KIGT's innovative business model will help electrify California's on-demand ridesharing and meal delivery services will also reducing the impact of electrifying these fleets on the State's energy grid. Moreover, KIGT's people-centered model will ensure that their EV charging stations contribute to community and workforce development, providing training and jobs in California's low-income and disadvantaged communities.

Cleantech San Diego is pleased to provide support for the proposed resolution approving Agreement GFO-21-601 with KIGT. 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 President and CEO Cleantech San Diego