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Administrator Micheal Regan Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20460

Dear Administrator Regan:

The Utah Public Service Commission is pleased to support the State of Utah's proposal to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Solar for All program under the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund [EPA-R-HQ-SFA-23-01]. We are wholly supportive of this proposal and its goal of delivering clean, reliable, and inexpensive electricity resources to low-income residents and disadvantaged communities throughout our state. Expansion of solar and associated battery storage in Utah will reduce the energy burden on our low-income and disadvantaged communities and provide flexibility and resilience to Utah's electric grid.

We look forward to working with the Office of Energy Development, Utah's utilities, and other stakeholders to leverage Solar for All financial resources to create a subscriber solar program that provides long-term savings to low-income and disadvantaged community households. Further, solar, grid, and invertor technologies have advanced significantly since we last updated our interconnection rule here in Utah. To maximize the benefits of smart invertor technologies to the grid and customers, and to facilitate timely interconnection, we have opened a docket to evaluate and update Utah's interconnection rule.

In addition to the Solar for All subscriber solar product, we support Utah's Solar for All effort to increase on-site solar for low-income and disadvantaged community households, as this is a means to directly save on household energy bills. We are excited to work with the State of Utah, the utilities, community organizations, the solar industry, and other partners on this important project.

Sincerely,

Thad LeVar, Chair

David R. Clark, Commissioner

John S. Harvey, Ph.D., Commissioner