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The Honorable Pete Buttigieg Secretary of Transportation US Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

RE: Port of Oakland's Port Infrastructure Development Project (PIDP) Proposal

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am writing to express my strong support for the Port of Oakland's efforts to create an enhanced sustainable utility infrastructure network to support a growing base of zero emissions freight equipment users throughout the seaport. With the support of the Port's \$11 million grant request through the Maritime Administration's Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP), the federal government can help to partner and advance sustainable transportation initiatives in the freight sector.

This project improves the resiliency of the Port of Oakland's utility operations and supports the continued development and integration of zero emissions vehicles and equipment throughout the Port of Oakland's maritime operations. The \$20 million total project consists of a multifunctional modern 12 MW substation integrating renewable power generation to support expansion of the electric heavy-duty truck fleet and electrically powered cargo-handling equipment, as well as ship power availability at the Port of Oakland.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request. We greatly appreciate USDOT's strong leadership in advancing an efficient and sustainable transportation network.

Sincerely,

DAVID S. KIM Secretary