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The Honorable Peter Buttigieg
Secretary, United States Department of Transportation
Office of the Secretary of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave. SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

RE: Support for Port of Oakland Application to the 2021 Port Infrastructure
Development Program (PIDP)

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the nine-county Bay Area. Our current long-range Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and regional Sustainable Communities Strategy, *Plan Bay Area 2040*, was adopted in July 2017.

MTC submits this letter of support for the application for 2021 PIDP grant funding submitted by the Port of Oakland for their efforts to create an enhanced sustainable utility infrastructure network to support a growing base of zero-emissions freight equipment users throughout the seaport. The project partnership would also facilitate the installation of a 2 megawatt fuel cell and 4 megawatts of renewable solar generation and storage capability. MTC supports this project as being consistent with *Plan Bay Area 2040*. The Port's efforts are also consistent with the San Francisco Bay Area's Goods Movement Plan, adopted in 2016.

MTC looks forward to working closely with the Department of Transportation and the Port of Oakland to deliver this regionally significant project. If you have any questions regarding our support for this project, please contact me at 415-778-6772 or Mark Dedrick, MTC's Washington Representative, at 202-494-3618.

Sincerely,

Theresa Romell
Section Director, Funding Policy and Programs
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