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Item: 21. AUTHORIZED the Chairperson to sign the Statement of Interest agreeing to participate in the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives/Sustainable Silicon Valley program to inventory greenhouse gas emissions from County operations, and directed the General Services Director to return to the Board on May 13, 2008, with the necessary contract and financing actions to formalize the County's participation, as recommended by Supervisor Stone



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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS County of Santa Cruz 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, CA 95060

RE: INVENTORY OF GREENHOUSE GAS EMI

Dear Members of the Board:

On September 27, 2006, Governor Schwarzenegger approved Assembly Bill 32 (Nunez) which enacted the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006. AB 32 requires that the state's global warming emissions be reduced to 1990 levels by the year 2020. This reduction will be accomplished through an enforceable statewide cap on global warming emissions that will be phased in starting in 2012. In order to effectively implement the cap, AB 32 directs the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to develop appropriate regulations and establish a mandatory reporting system to track and monitor global warming emissions levels.

One of the most important elements in reducing greenhouse gas emissions is the preparation of a complete inventory of operations creating these emissions throughout the state. As such, AB 32 requires monitoring and annual reporting of greenhouse gas emissions from all greenhouse gas emission sources, including local governments.

In order to assist the efforts of local government to inventory greenhouse gas emissions from local operations, a partnership was created between Joint Venture: Silicon Valley Network (JVSVN), the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD), and the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI). At the conclusion of a regional greenhouse gas inventory workshop held in the Bay Area last year, a proposal from ICLEI and Sustainable Silicon Valley (SSV) was accepted by the Joint Venture Climate Protection Task Force to provide consulting services to local government agencies.

As indicated in the attached letter from Joint Venture Silicon Valley, Santa Cruz County has been offered the opportunity to contract with ICLEI to complete our inventory requirements.



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Sincerely,

MARK W. STONE, Supervisor

Fifth District

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cc: County Administrative Officer
General Services Director
Public Works Director
Commission on the Environment
International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives
Sustainable Silicon Valley

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21 April, 2008

Nancy Carr Gordon **Deputy Director** County of Santa Cruz – General Services Department 701 Ocean Street, Room 330 Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Dear Ms. Gordon

The first step in developing Climate Protection Action Plans is to inventory greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. Thanks to a partnership of Joint Venture: Silicon Valley Network (JVSVN), the Bay Area Air Ouality Management District (BAAOMD) and the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI), many of the members of the Joint Venture Climate Protection Task Force participated in the first regional community-wide GHG inventory workshop in the Bay Area. But there is still the need for an agency specific GHG inventory before developing agency-specific Climate Protection Action Plans.

We are pleased to announce that at **the** last meeting of the Task Force, the members voted to accept a proposal from ICLEI and Sustainable Silicon Valley (SSV) to provide consulting services for conducting inventories of greenhouse gas emissions from city, county and special district operations.

In the proposal, ICLEI agrees to provide their services for **a fee** of \$13,000 per city/county/district if 20 or wore agencies sign up for the program. This volume purchasing agreement allows ICLEI to achieve economies of scale and substantially reduce their normal fee of \$20,000 to \$25,000 per client. Sustainable Silicon Valley will provide additional services to help cities analyze the results of their inventory **and** develop **their** action plans.

To participate in this program, agencies that **are** not already **members** of ICLEI or Sustainable Silicon Valley will need to become members of those organizations. This will raise the total cost of the program somewhat. See Appendix B in the enclosed proposal document for the schedule of membership fees.

To qualify for this special **program we** need to sign **up** at least 20 **agencies** by June 30,2008. If your organization is interested in participating,

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please sign and return the attached form. We will follow up with an invoice as quickly as possible.

The terms of the agreement are summarized in an attachment to **this** letter.

We are very excited by the strong response from the members of the task force. Silicon Valley is again demonstrating the power of collaboration to address major challenges and leading the way for communities across the nation.

Yours sincerely,

Susan Loftus

Deputy City Manager, City of San Mateo

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Joint Venture: Silicon Valley Network

Attachments:

- Summary of ICLEI/SSV Proposal
- Statement of Interest Form

Enclosure

• Silicon Valley Climate Protection Partnership **Proposal**; Government Operations Emissions Inventory Assistance

Summary of ICLEI/SSV GHG Emissions from Operations Inventory Proposal

October 10, 2007

The following are the highlights of the attached proposal. Please read the proposal in full before signing the attached Statement **of** Interest.

ICLEI Scope of Work

- Kickoff meeting for **all** participants to explain the program
- Data specification
- Data collection
- Data conditioning
- Data input and analysis
- Preparation of a draft report
- Provision of a backup of the source and output data
- Debrief meeting for all participants to present results, and provide training on the software and methodology

Data Sources (for 2005)

- facilities use of electricity and gas
- traffic signals and street lights use of electricity
- waste and wastewater operations
- vehicle fleet use of fuel
- solid waste
- existing landfills
- employee commute (optional)
- methane emissions from wastewater treatment and solids disposal

Sustainable Silicon Valley will provide

- monthly meetings and quarterly forums customized to meet local government needs
- access to technical and **cost** information for prioritizing **GHG** reduction projects

Project Schedule

Work can **begin** by the end of 2007 assuming **twenty** organizations provide Statements of Interest. Inventories will be completed on a rolling **basis** with **the** first reports **being** completed approximately three **months** after initiation.

Expectations of Each Participant

- identify two liaisons for ICLEI and SSV (one primary, the other as backup)
- become a member of ICLEI and SSV if not already
- provide staff support related to the collection of data, estimated at **20** to 40 hours
- . management letter to staff indicating that the inventory is an important priority

Please note that there have been two clarifications to the **proposal:**

- ICLEI **asks** for each city/county/agency to provide two contacts. It **is** NOT necessary that one of them be **an** elected official.
- ICLEI **is** waiving their normal requirement that a city/county/agency's elected officials pass a motion approving membership in ICLEI **and making** a commitment to reducing greenhouse **gas** emissions.

STATEMENT OF INTEREST

Santa Cruz County (agency) agrees to participate in the ICLEI/SSV program to inventory greenhouse gas emissions from our operations.
We understand that the price of \$13,000 for consulting services is contingent on at least 20 cities and countiesjoining the program.
We understand that we will need to negotiate an agreement with Joint Venture: Silicon Valley Network for these services and that Joint Venture has to negotiate an agreement with ICLEI.
We understand that once the agreements have been signed we will be invoiced by Joint Venture: Silicon Valley Network for \$13,000.
We understand that if we are not already a member of ICLEI or Sustainable Silicon Valley, it is our responsibility to become a member by contacting those organizations directly.
We are already a member of,
ICLEZ
Sustainable Silicon Valley
Neither
Signature, Date
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