



Los Angeles Urban League

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California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, MS-29
Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

Re: The Los Angeles Urban League supports the funding and development of the Green Hive

For almost 88 years the Los Angeles Urban League has worked tirelessly to ensure that economic and social opportunities are afforded traditionally underserved communities. The League plays an important role in educating and training the Los Angeles workforce for opportunities, particularly in growth industries. The League is happy to have developed a relationship with an organization called the Green Hive. We believe the Green Hive will be instrumental in fostering a greener economy; one where people of all ages can learn about sustainable practices which preserve our environment while broadening our economic and job base. The connection of education, workforce development, business and industry, utilities and technology in a permanent facility is the catalyst that can push us beyond the tipping point of sustainability.

In becoming a recognized leader in developing, educating, and retraining members of underserved communities we have developed strong industry relationships. With the Green Hive relationship, we look forward to contributing to the development of innovative and comprehensive strategies to assist the entire community in the education and deployment of sustainable products, technologies, training, and ultimately green jobs.

With over eight decades of service to our community, the Los Angeles Urban League brings substantial private, political and other resources to integrate into our relationship with the Green Hive. We believe it in the best interest of California that you fund the Green Hive request facilitating the opening of Green Hive technology showcase and resource centers.

Thank you for any support that you can provide. It is greatly appreciated.

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