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Senator Guy Guzzone Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee 3 West, Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Senator Guzzone:

I am writing to request your favorable support for SB 0900 "Maryland Clean Energy Center - Climate Technology Founder's Fund - Establishment."

I am the founder and CEO of Carbon Lockdown Project Benefit LLC (CLP), a university technology spinoff company operating in College Park and Silver Spring, Maryland. Our mission at CLP is to develop and support reliable carbon sequestration technologies that benefit climate and sustainability. In particular, we specialize in Wood Harvesting and Storage with Wood Vault, a technology that combines multiple benefits of waste utilization, carbon sequestration, conservation and green job creation.

The Maryland Clean Energy Center operates a program called the Maryland Energy Innovation Accelerator (MEIA). CLP has been supported by MEIA from conception to the implementation of our current Potomac Project, the very first in the world.

This legislation provides baseline funding for the Climate Technology Founder's Fund administered by the Maryland Clean Energy Center. Your consideration and favorable support of SB 0900 will be much appreciated.

Please don't hesitate to let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

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