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RE: Commitment Letter for the California Air Resources Board Proposal

Dear Dr. Coley,

My name is Andrew Cooper and I'm the CEO of the Arcadia Association of Realtors®. Our association acts as the voice and the behind the scenes partner of Realtors® in the East San Gabriel Valley. We are an advocate for strengthening our communities through home ownership. As you know, home ownership increases an area's economic prosperity and it brings in high-paying, skilled jobs for the betterment of all.

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I applaud the work the California Air Resources Board (ARB) has done to date in keeping the State of California clean from air pollution and am grateful that the State is supporting their much needed consolidation and relocation project, estimated at over \$360 million. I understand this project affects ARB's El Monte facilities and that ARB is seeking a new location to establish their state-of-the-art operations. Furthermore, I am aware that Cal Poly Pomona is one of the contenders for the new site. With the other finalist being located in Riverside County, I am certain you share my concern of ARB moving out of Los Angeles County, which will have a detrimental effect on Los Angeles' economy with the loss of approximately 400 jobs.

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I am pleased to see that Cal Poly Pomona and the CSU System are committed to keeping ARB in LA County and are proposing to house ARB on Cal Poly Pomona property. This will not only retain jobs in our County and move them to Pomona, but will avail additional opportunities for the businesses and residents of our region. I support Cal Poly Pomona in these endeavors and urge ARB to relocate to this regarded University. The benefits to ARB are numerous if this occurs, but the loss to our region would be significant if it doesn't.

Thank you for your time in reading my letter.

Respectfully,

Andrew Cooper
CEO,
Arcadia Association of Realtors®

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