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Chairman Mary D. Nichols and Executive Officer Richard Corey
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Dear Chairman Mary D. Nichols and Executive Officer Richard Corey,

Thank you for the hard work that ARB and staff have put into making this document possible. The outstanding work you continue to do is appreciated throughout the state despite what others suggest.

The Funding Guidelines as outlined in the drafted document are clear and concise and I am proud to have read it fully myself. I believe there are a few things to consider to help make the document fulfil its original statutory regulations and provide greater benefit for the disadvantaged communities.

First, I agree with some of my colleagues when they stated that the measurements or quantification metrics reported during and after the project should be stated upfront. I can only hope that was the case when the document mentioned that the ARB would work closely with the agencies to craft their project profiles and expenditure records.

Secondly, to help bolster the disadvantaged communities, I feel that there should be a clear mandate to help local agencies support the local economy through diversified firms: Women Owned Business, LGBTQ Owned Business, Minority Owned Business, etc. The work that will be done in these disadvantage communities is only as successful as the businesses these communities see day in and day out. (Volume 1, Chapter 4)

Thirdly, on page 22, the job creation guidelines should be clearly outlined for economic impact. For example, "x amount of dollars provides x amount of jobs." This ensures a clear and accountable measurement of economic growth in the disadvantaged communities and the impact of the direct funding provided.



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Lastly, just as you have created a logo for the agencies that will administer funding in their local communities through their local solicitation, I would suggest a logo for the cities who are receiving and administering more than two funds or have more than two participating agencies of GGRF in their local communities. I believe this will help build a sense of urgency that speaks to the implementation of these funds and create a sense of competitive advantage of administering these funds while serving as the vehicle of interaction with the disadvantage communities.

I think that the timeframe was indeed adequate for those who follow closely the works of many workgroups and the interaction of solely community leaders was needed as they followed and read such information as provided by ARB.

Please consider this comment for public comment review of the *Funding Guidelines for Agencies that Administer California Climate Investments*.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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