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SUBJECT: Letter of Support for NRMCA grant proposal PPO-CWX-002-IEDO: Industrial Sustainability, Energy Efficiency, and Decarbonization (ISEED) Workforce Development Collaborative

Dear Mr. Lemay:

The Pennsylvania Aggregates & Concrete Association (PACA) is pleased to support NRMCA's grant proposal to develop courses on designing and finishing low-carbon concrete mixtures. As the concrete industry adopts new and innovative materials to help lower concrete's embodied carbon, the industry will be challenged to train those who design low-carbon concrete mixtures and those who place and finish low-carbon concrete with different placing and finishing characteristics.

PACA, an NRMCA State Affiliate since 2005, represents concrete and cement producers in addition to the crushed stone and sand & gravel industry. PACA is an ACI Sponsoring Group and has full-time technical and certification staff to support NRMCA in their effort to develop and deliver these two important training programs to help the concrete industry meet its carbon neutrality goals.

PACA is excited to serve as an NRMCA local sponsoring group by potentially hosting these courses in our Commonwealth, both during the development and the implementation phases of the training and certification programs. In addition, we plan to provide input and direction on the format of the courses and the mechanism for delivery. We are also committed to helping recruit concrete technologists and concrete finishers to take advantage of these important training programs.

Sincerely Yours,

A blue ink handwritten signature, appearing to read "Peter T. Vlahos", written over a large, stylized blue oval graphic.

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