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The Honorable Michael S. Regan
Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20460

Re: Clean Ports Program: Zero-Emission Technology Deployment Competition
Grant Funding Opportunity: EPA-R-OAR-CPP-24-04

Dear Administrator Regan:

I am writing in support of the Alabama Port Authority's application for the EPA Clean Ports Grant. With this application, the Port's goal is to support the deployment of zero-emission technologies across the Port of Mobile for both its public and private terminals and launch the **Port Operations With Emissions Reduction, or POWER, Program**.

The grant includes the following components to help reduce carbon emissions at the Port – two electric switcher locomotives, installation of three shore power units (cold ironing) at two marine terminals, 36 electric terminal trucks, four electric container top loaders, two electric material handling cranes and two electric forklifts. This equipment will be deployed by the Port and several private operators who do business on the port – APM Terminals, Cooper Marine, SSA Marine, and CG Rail.

I believe that if the Alabama Port Authority and its project partners are selected for the Clean Ports grant, it will be an investment that will enable the Port to bolster its longstanding commitment to sustainability and further contribute to the goals of companies located around the Port of Mobile in reducing climate impacts. With this collective, Port-wide application, the POWER Program will benefit communities surrounding the Port and give citizens the opportunity to achieve a healthier quality of life for generations to come.

Thank you for considering the Alabama Port Authority's application for this opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chip Brown".

Representative Chip Brown
Chair, Ports, Waterways, and Intermodal Transit Committee
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