

October 11, 2023

The Honorable Michael Regan
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Ave NW
Washington, D.C. 20004

Administrator Regan,

We are writing in support of the Alaska Energy Authority's (AEA) coalition application for the Solar for All program. Through a partnership between AEA and the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC), this grant will reduce emissions, distribute the benefits of solar energy to disadvantaged communities, and widen the doorway to continued financing of solar projects.

Residential and community solar have a proven track record of success in Alaska, and AEA and AHFC have developed critical expertise in tailoring renewable energy to Alaska's distinct needs. In the plan outlined in this application, AEA will utilize half of the funds awarded to deploy much-needed solar in rural Alaska, prioritizing community owned independent power producer (IPP) systems with generation as well as battery storage. AHFC would layer the remaining funds into its weatherization program to support rooftop solar for low-income and disadvantaged households. These efforts will enhance the reliability and resilience of Alaska's energy infrastructure while uplifting communities across the State.

Consistent with applicable law, policy, and guidance, we respectfully ask that you give due consideration to AEA's coalition application for the Solar for All program. We also ask that you keep our officers apprised on the outcome. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Lisa Murkowski
United States Senator



Dan Sullivan
United States Senator



Mary Sattler Peltola
Representative for All Alaska