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October 23, 2023

Subject: Letter of Reference

To Whom It May Concern:

The San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments retained the services of SCS Engineers since 2021 to assist us our cities in compliance with state mandates regarding edible food recovery and food waste prevention. SCS Engineers has helped us better understand how and where food waste is generated within our community, has identified the capacities of food recovery organizations to recover excess edible food from businesses, and has helped provide inspections to over 500 businesses to educate them on food waste reduction. They have also helped us establish three regional food recovery hubs to prevent food from going to waste in the San Gabriel Valley.

SCS Engineers staff have taken the time to understand our unique project needs, have clearly communicated throughout the project to keep us and our key stakeholders informed and engaged, and finally, have identified thoughtful and actionable food waste prevention and management strategies to benefit the San Gabriel Valley region. SCS Engineers staff have brought a wealth of experience and expertise, and a deep passion and energy for what they do. Our project would not have been as successful as it was without the strong partnership, we developed with the entire SCS Engineers team.

I am glad to recommend SCS Engineers for anyone interested in evaluating their food waste management strategies and seeking solutions to improve current management systems. For questions pertaining to this reference, please contact Mackenzie Bolger (mbolger@sgvcog.org).

Sincerely,

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