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Mr. Reginald Moody-Humchitt and Board Members
 Central Coast Regional District
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Dear Chair Reginald Moody-Humchitt and Board Members:

On behalf of the joint Provincial-Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) Green Communities Committee (GCC), we would like to extend our congratulations for your efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in your corporate operations and community over the 2013 reporting year.

As a signatory to the Climate Action Charter (Charter) you have demonstrated your commitment to work with the Province and UBCM to take action on climate change and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in your community and corporate operations.

Climate change is a global challenge. The work that local governments are undertaking to reduce their corporate emissions demonstrates significant climate leadership and sets the stage for broader climate action in the community. This leadership and commitment is essential to ensuring the achievement of our collective climate action goals.

As you are likely aware, the GCC was established under the Charter to support local governments in achieving their climate goals. In acknowledgement of the efforts of local leaders, the GCC is again recognizing the progress and achievements of local governments such as yours through the multi-level Climate Action Recognition Program. A description of this program is attached to this letter for your reference.

As a Charter signatory who has demonstrated progress on the fulfillment of one of more of your commitments, we are pleased to acknowledge your achievement of Level 1 recognition – ‘Progress on Charter Commitments.’

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Congratulations again on your progress. We wish you continued success in your ongoing commitment to the goal of corporate carbon neutrality and your efforts to reduce emissions in the broader community.

Sincerely,



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Assistant Deputy Minister
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Gary MacIsaac
Executive Director
Union of British Columbia Municipalities

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GCC Communiqué on the Climate Action Recognition Program

In acknowledgment of the ongoing efforts of local leaders, the joint Provincial-UBCM Green Communities Committee (GCC) is pleased to be continuing the **Climate Action Recognition Program** for BC local governments for the 2013 reporting year. This is a multi-level program that provides the GCC with an opportunity to review and publicly recognize the progress and achievements of each *Charter* signatory.

Recognition is provided on an annual basis to local governments who demonstrate progress on their *Charter* commitments, according to the following:

Level 1: Progress on Charter Commitments

All local governments who demonstrate progress on fulfilling one or more of their *Charter* commitments will receive a letter from the GCC acknowledging their accomplishments.

Level 2: Measurement

Local governments who have completed a corporate carbon inventory for the reporting year and demonstrate that they are familiar with the Community Energy and Emissions Inventory (CEEI) will receive a 'Climate Action Community 2013' logo, for use on websites, letter head and similar.

Level 3: Achievement of Carbon Neutrality

Local governments who achieve carbon neutrality in the reporting year will receive a 'Climate Action Community – Carbon Neutral 2013' logo, for use on websites, letter head and similar.

To be eligible for this program, local governments will need to complete a Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP)/Carbon Neutral Progress Report and submit it to the Province in accordance with the program guidelines. Determination of the level of recognition that each community will receive will be based on the information included in each community's annual CARIP report. Additional information on CARIP reporting is available online at: www.cscd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/greencommunities/carip.htm .

