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RE: City Council Letter of Support the GAIN Application Funding SMR Feasibility Study Pertaining to the Craig Power Station

Dear Mr. Sweeney:

The City of Craig is pleased to support the GAIN Application as a co-applicant for SMR Feasibility Studies at the Craig Power Station location. The City of Craig understands that the assets and infrastructure that exist at the Craig Power Station along with the necessary and available transmission, could have the potential of serving the production of electrical power using carbon-free, climate resilient technologies, such as Small Modular Nuclear technology.

The City of Craig and Moffat County also understand the importance of gauging local support for this technology through community outreach, collection of public sentiment, comments and local publications and editorials. These steps, along with estimating the available workforce to support a nuclear facility in this area are critical to the feasibility study findings.

Lastly and very important to the process is understanding the political climate as this technology works to determine if a path forward exists for nuclear power generation in NW Colorado. Once a proven safe and efficient nuclear reactor design has been developed and approved by federal and state regulators, such as Idaho National Laboratories, Gateway Accelerated Innovative Nuclear (GAIN) technology; Craig could be an ideal candidate to address the establishment of this reactor design at the Craig Power Station location.

On behalf of this effort and financial support provided through RWE Clean Energy – Distributed Clean Energy Development, the City of Craig is please to support this effort and endorse the GAIN Application for the purpose of generating an SMR Feasibility Study at the Craig Power Station.

Sincerely,

Mayor Derek Duran City of Craig