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Thomas L. Wilson, Chairperson
Transportation Policy and Planning Board
City of Madison
210 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd
Madison, WI 53701

Dear Chairman Wilson:

It is our understanding that at this evening's meeting, the Transportation Policy and Planning Board will consider the recommendation to accept the 100% Renewable Madison Report and adopt the recommendation that the City follow the Scenario 3 measures and timeline.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our support for the City and its continued work in collaboration with MGE to achieve our shared energy goals. MGE is on a trajectory to reduce our carbon emissions by at least 80% by 2050 from 2005 levels. This also is an internationally recognized benchmark aligning with the U.S. Mid-Century Strategy (MCS) for deep decarbonization – the U.S. strategy for meeting the goals of the Paris Agreement on climate change.

Transportation accounts for more than 25% of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions. Electrification of transportation is a key strategy identified in the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) Report and the MCS for achieving deep decarbonization. MGE is also working to electrify the transportation sector as a means to achieving its carbon reduction goals. The transition of the Madison Metro Transit bus fleet to modern electric buses, as well as the City's fleet of electric vehicles, is the single best opportunity for the City to achieve the most significant carbon emissions reductions.

MGE is pleased to have played a supportive role as the City applied for and was awarded funding to purchase 20 electric Chevy Bolt vehicles. MGE also was an enthusiastic partner with the City in pursuing federal funding to enable the City to acquire three all-electric buses, which are expected to arrive later this year. MGE remains committed to working with the City, Metro Transit and other community stakeholders to advance new, cleaner energy technologies to reduce our community's collective environmental impact. MGE also remains committed to working with the City to achieve any electric system upgrades necessitated by the transition to a more electrified fleet.

MGE and the City have a history of working together to achieve shared goals. We envision a continuing partnership with the City and Metro Transit to reach their electrification goals. We look forward to further building upon our progress and bringing clean energy technology to our community for the benefit of all.

Sincerely,

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cc: Tom Lynch, Director of Transportation
Charles Kamp, Metro Transit General Manager
Jeanne Hoffman, Facilities and Sustainability Manager