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The Honorable Jay Inslee
Office of the Governor
PO Box 40002 Olympia, WA 98504-0002

Re: House Bill 1091 - Clean Fuel Standard

Dear Governor Inslee,

On behalf of the Biotechnology Innovation Organization (BIO), the global industry organization representing the biotechnology industry, I want to express support for House Bill 1091, which recently passed the Washington Legislature. BIO member companies are at the forefront of developing solutions to address climate change. This includes technological advancements in clean energy and biofuels. We therefore support House Bill 1091 and commend you and the Legislature for establishing a clean fuel standard in Washington.

Enactment of HB 1091 will complete an uninterrupted Western clean fuel corridor running from British Columbia through California. More importantly, provisions in HB 1091 will reduce carbon emissions and improve the overall environment in Washington and the health of its citizens. Finally, HB 1091 will promote innovation and economic development by spurring investment in biofuels, which will create good, high paying jobs in the state.

I want to thank you for championing the clean fuels standard legislation. I also want to express our gratitude to members of the Washington Legislature such as Representative Fitzgibbon, the bill sponsor, Speaker Jinkins, Representative Slatter, and Majority Leader Billig, along with Senators Carlyle, Saldana, Lovelett, and Stanford, for shepherding HB 1091 through the legislative process.

Sincerely,

Dr. Michelle McMurry-Heath, PhD.

President & CEO



cc: The Honorable Joe Fitzgibbon, State Representative

The Honorable Reuven Carlyle, State Senator

The Honorable Laurie Jinkins, Speaker

The Honorable Vandana Slatter, State Representative

The Honorable Rebecca Saldana, State Senator

The Honorable Liz Lovelett, State Senator

The Honorable Derek Stanford, State Senator

The Honorable Andy Billig, Majority Leader