

April 1, 2025

Calgary City Council
800 Macleod Trail SE
Calgary, Alberta T2G 5E6

Re: City of Calgary's Commercial Clean Energy Improvement Program

Dear Councillors,

The Building Owners and Managers Association of Calgary (BOMA Calgary) represents the commercial real estate sector in Calgary and Southern Alberta which includes over 600 member companies and 200 million square feet of office, retail, industrial, and institutional space in the city of Calgary alone. Our members own, operate and maintain properties that house some of the most influential firms in Calgary, Alberta, and Canada. We are writing on behalf of our members to support the City of Calgary's Commercial Clean Energy Improvement Program.

Our members manage a diverse portfolio of properties and are committed to optimizing energy efficiency. In fact through our BOMA BEST program, commercial buildings have been at the forefront of optimization for nearly 20 years. It is because of this experience that we believe that a commercial CEIP program can be equally successful as the residential program implemented in Calgary. A commercial CEIP program would complement many of our members' plans to implement changes that move their properties towards net zero operations. We believe that a CEIP program would accelerate the adoption of technologies at a critical time in our industry. There is an air of optimism within our industry and a drive for innovation in this realm that we feel is encouraged by this program.

Furthermore, energy-efficient buildings play a crucial role in reducing overall emissions as well as demand for the electrical grid, improving grid reliability and reducing long-term maintenance costs. By lowering overall energy consumption, energy-efficient buildings help stabilize the grid, decrease the likelihood of outages, and extend the lifespan of grid infrastructure. These benefits support Utility Distribution

Companies and contribute to a more resilient energy system in addition to supporting our members' energy efficiency goals.

We look forward to your positive response and the opportunity to collaborate with you. BOMA Calgary would be more than happy to bring together subject matter experts and connect the City with members that can provide support program design and implementation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in brown ink on a yellow rectangular background. The signature reads "Lloyd Suchet" in a cursive script.

Lloyd Suchet
Executive Director
BOMA Calgary