AMERICAN BIOGAS COUNCIL

January 27, 2022

Secretary James Kenney NM Environmental Department PO Box 5469 Santa Fe. NM 87502

The American Biogas Council Strongly Supports the New Mexico Clean Fuel Standard Act

As the voice of the American biogas industry, we're writing today to express our strong support for New Mexico Senate Bill 14, The Clean Fuel Standard Act.

The American Biogas Council is the only trade association representing the entire US biogas industry. We represent more than 300 companies and 3,000 individuals, including many in New Mexico and more interested in doing business in the state. The American Biogas Council is focused on making it easier to build more biogas systems through education and improving policy, and the New Mexico Clean Fuel Standard Act will help.

We know from experience in other states, that a CFS in New Mexico as designed in the proposed CFS will provide many economic and environmental benefits. In all industries, including the biogas and renewable natural gas (RNG) sector, new projects incentivized by a CFS can create millions of dollars in new investment and thousands of new jobs. Because of its technology-neutral approach, SB14 implements Executive Order 2019-003 to adopt market-based programs to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and complements the clean car standards currently in process. In addition, SB14 will protect both public health and the environment, by reducing an estimated 65 million metric tons of greenhouse gases by 2040.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment on this important matter.

Sincerely,

Patrick Serfass, Executive Director

talek Spe