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Tito Shafique
ANR Construction Lead

RE: The Plant Site Selection RFP: Consideration of Sites within Yolo County

Dear Tito Shafique,

On behalf of the Yolo County Board of Supervisors, I want to express my excitement and support for the Plant and urge you to carefully consider proposed sites in Yolo County as I understand a number of jurisdictions and developers across the County will be responding to the RFP. The Plant will be a world class innovation center focused on food, agriculture, health and climate. The research and development that will occur at the Plant will be essential in advancing solutions in food security and nutrition, regenerative farming, and the incorporation of artificial intelligence and robotics in food and agriculture.

Locating the Plant in Yolo County will capitalize on the region's existing expertise and innovation ecosystem. Yolo County is home to UC Davis, the nation's preeminent university in agriculture and food science; a thriving and diverse food and agriculture anchored economy; a proud tradition of smart growth and preserving open space and working landscapes; and strong partnerships between academia, local government, and industry. Within this ecosystem the Plant can seamlessly engage and network with a full spectrum of partners catalyzing its technology commercialization mission.

Thank you for your consideration of potential siting opportunities for the Plant within Yolo County. We look forward to working with you on this exciting project. If you have any questions, please contact Alexander Tengolics in the County Administrator's Office at alexander.tengolics@yolocounty.gov or (530) 666-8068.

Sincerely,

Mary Vixie Sandy
Chair, Yolo County Board of Supervisors