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Re: Letter of Support for the UNITED-NetZero project

Dear Ms Kordas,

This letter is intended to serve as a recommendation for the UNITED-NetZero proposal that will be submitted under the 2023 HORIZON-MISS-2023-CIT-02 call.

Given DIXI GROUP role as a part of the sounding board of this Project, we believe that the project is written and will be implemented taking into account the needs of Ukrainian cities.

I understand that your project aims, as a first step, to identify a core group of Ukrainian cities that are equipped and willing to commit to the EU Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities Mission and to create the necessary enabling conditions to deliver upon this commitment – in terms of capacity building in Ukrainian cities, twinning with like-minded partner cities and adapting the NetZeroCities platform to account for the specificities of the Ukrainian context. As a second step, I understand your project aims to prepare Climate City Contracts and Climate Investment Plans in pilot Ukrainian cities to work towards the co-creation and implementation of transformative portfolios. To us this represents a very interesting opportunity.

We believe that, if granted, the UNITED-NetZero project will accelerate the association of Ukrainian cities to the EU Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities Mission, given the fact that Ukrainian cities have been part of the project governance from the moment of application writing. Furthermore, we believe that associating Ukrainian cities to the mission through this project will

deliver important benefits not only to the Ukrainian cities in question but equally to the existing EU-

members of the mission.

Yours sincerely,

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