Technical Support for Integrated Community Energy Solutions

Task 1 Outline and Approach **Integrating Energy into Local Regulations and Programs**

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Integrating Energy into Local Regulations and Programs

The deliverable of this task is a report on best practices for integrating clean energy technologies, in particular district energy, CHP and microgrids, into local policies, programs and regulations. This report provides an outline of the final report.

First we will provide a brief overview of the broader policy context, describing key national and international policies and issues that are relevant to potential action by COG members to facilitate implementation of district energy, CHP and microgrids. Then we will provide a discussion of each category of policy/program/regulation relevant to clean energy technologies, with three major elements in each section:

- National and International Examples -- Descriptions of the policies, programs or regulations, and their relevance to district energy, CHP and microgrids, using national and international examples of such measures.
- Existing Local Policies -- Compile information on existing policy and program approaches in the COG region. Include information on legislation, regulations, local ordinances, and local policies and programs.
- Best Practice Recommendations In the context of current local policies and programs and review of national and international practices, recommend best practices for local government policies, programs and requirements to facilitate implementation of district energy, CHP and microgrids in the region.

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