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Dr. Kenrick Leslie Executive Director Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre Belmopan, Belize

Dear Dr. Leslie,

On behalf of the Government of Belize, the Ministry of Tourism and Culture would like to express its gratitude for Belize's inclusion as a pilot country in the First Phase of the Caribbean Carbon Neutral Tourism Program. It is to our understanding that the Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre is about to initiate a Second Phase of the abovementioned Project. The Ministry takes this opportunity to express its interest and commitment to participate in this follow-up phase.

The National Sustainable Tourism Master Plan of Belize highlights the paramount importance of developing our tourism industry in a sustainable and responsible manner. The Ministry believes that low carbon destination development has the potential to assist this Ministry in achieving some of the objectives of our Master Plan, as well as, to fortify the assimilation of climate change into the tourism industry's strategies, policies and developmental agenda.

We look forward to your further consideration of our expressed interest to be part of this program. Please accept the assurances of our very highest consideration and regards.

Sincerely,

Tracy Panton (Mrs.)
Chief Executive Officer