



September 21, 2023

North Carolina Housing
Finance Agency
3508 Bush Street
Raleigh, NC 27609

Re: 2024 QAP – First Draft

Scott,

Please see my comments below regarding the first draft of the 2024 QAP.

Site Evaluation – Upon review of the QAP I commend the agency for its effort to update the site scoring criteria in a way that should provide greater differentiation between good sites and great ones. I know that the current scoring system consistently requires that tiebreakers be used to determine awarded projects, putting an undue emphasis on tiebreaker criteria rather than site condition. It is my hope that the proposed modification of the scoring will allow for a wider range of site scores which will make award determination clearer for everyone involved.

I recognize that no major change to the QAP can ever be made that will please everyone involved with the application process, but I appreciate that the proposed change appears to be clear, objective, and fair to all parties. I think I can speak for many when I say that all we want is a fair shot at an award based on clear, objective standards.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M. Duggins", with a long, sweeping underline.

Murray O. Duggins
President