

August 14, 2025

To: Esteemed Members of the Prix Galien EcoHealth Award Committee

Subject: Letter of Endorsement for BlueGreen Water Technologies

Dear Committee Members,

On behalf of Mote Marine Laboratory & Aquarium (Mote) I am writing to express our endorsement and support for BlueGreen Water Technologies and their innovative work in addressing the global challenge of Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs). We believe their solution exemplifies the commitment to ecological health and impactful innovation that the EcoHealth award seeks to recognize.

Mote is celebrating over 70 years as one of the few remaining independent, non-profit international marine research laboratories. Mote's ocean and coastal research enterprise has 38 Research Programs and Centers, an array of STEM education/outreach efforts, and an aquarium featuring teaching and working laboratories with more than 100 marine species. Mote currently has more than 40 PhD-level scientists, over 300 staff, and approximately 1500 volunteers that are located on its main campus in Sarasota and across eight additional campuses/facilities including a state-of-the-art 200 acre marine and freshwater aquaculture research park, a 19,000 square foot International Center for Coral Reef Research & Restoration in the Florida Keys and a new 145,000 square foot Mote Science Education Aquarium (Mote SEA) that will open in 2025. Mote scientific expertise is considerable and diverse, and is augmented by more than 150 non-resident scientists from more than 100 different U.S. and international institutions who are involved in projects with Mote all around the world.

Mote is working closely with BlueGreen Water Technologies on cutting-edge HAB control technologies to more efficiently and effectively deploy mitigation options. This collaborative work not only addresses the immediate threat of HABs but also contributes to long-term ecosystem resilience, biodiversity restoration and protection of human health. We are confident that their continued efforts will have an even greater positive influence on global water security and environmental health.

We wholeheartedly recommend BlueGreen Water Technologies for the Prix Galien EcoHealth Award. The company's dedication to pioneering effective, scalable, and sustainable solutions makes them an exemplary candidate for this prestigious recognition. Thank you for considering this endorsement and please feel free to contact me at kclaridge@mote.org or 941-702-0099 if I can further or assist or if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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