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To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Energy Technology Division (ETD) of the Electrochemical Society (ECS), it is our great pleasure to inform you of the establishment of the *Energy Technology Division Walter van Schalkwijk Award in Sustainable Energy Technology*.

Proposed to be given annually to a nationally and/or internationally recognized recipient, this award of up to \$2,500 will be presented to a researcher, academician, technologist, and/or entrepreneur who has made innovative and transformative contributions to sustainable energy technologies (devices, materials, and/or processes). Recognized research will contribute to sustainability goals such as pollution prevention, resource conservation, and waste reduction/minimization by innovations in lean manufacturing, responsible consumption, alternative energy, waste management and/or reuse/recycling.

This award reflects the professional contributions of Walter van Schalkwijk in both industry and academia. Dr. van Schalkwijk has 40 years' experience in the battery and fuel cell industry in research, product development, manufacturing, and applications engineering. He has also developed new formulations for kidney dialysate, which may seem unrelated to energy technology, but concerns the movement of ions through a membrane for the benefit of a patient. Dr. van Schalkwijk has served on many committees of the ECS over the past 20 years and has served four years on the Board of Directors.

To make this award sustainable, and a cornerstone of ETD activities, we are seeking additional contributions to help endow the award. ECS – ETD's goals are to further enhance and broaden the national and international influence of the energy technology community through ECS meetings, publications, and events. We hope that you share this vision with us and will be willing to contribute to this effort. By doing so, you will not only help honor the legacy of Walter van Schalkwijk, but will support and champion research and developmental activities in the area of sustainable energy technology and encourage more researchers to pursue careers in the energy related fields.

The Electrochemical Society strives to be an inclusive organization that promotes and values diversity. We recognize and respect the rights of all, and are committed to building and maintaining a culture that encourages, supports, and celebrates the unique backgrounds and experiences of our members, volunteers, employees, participants, and constituents. This commitment to diversity is a foundation element to how ECS awards are promoted and applications are reviewed.

We hope you will join ETD and ECS in honoring Walter van Schalkwijk. Your contribution will not only be appreciated by the ECS members, but also by the greater energy community, which will continue to innovate and grow because of your support. If you would like to discuss this matter in more detail or would like additional information, please reach out to me at your convenience. I can be reached at [chris.jannuzzi@electrochem.org](mailto:chris.jannuzzi@electrochem.org) / 609-737-1924.

Sincerely,



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