



## Greening Post-Industrial Cities: Growth, Equity, and Environmental Governance (Hardback)

By Corina McKendry

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