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The Columbia Alliance for Economic Growth

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Mr. Michael A. Canova
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Dear Mr. Canova:

The board of directors of the Columbia Alliance for Economic Growth, Inc., at its meeting on September 17, voted unanimously to support an application by PPL to construct a second nuclear reactor at Bell Bend in nearby Luzerne County.

PPL has been a strong supporter of economic development, helping our organization by providing financial support for a number of our projects, providing employees who participate in the leadership of the organization, and identifying and recruiting companies to locate in our area.

This project will provide an enormous economic boost to this region in the form of new investment and new jobs. This endeavor would have a huge ripple effect on our retail businesses, service industries and the housing market. The new temporary and permanent employment will provide jobs for hundreds of our citizens. It is for these reasons that we hope this project will be successfully reviewed and approved. I will be happy to provide additional information as you may require.

Sincerely,



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President

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