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strong communities.

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Mr. Michael A. Canova
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Dear Mr. Canova:

I am writing this letter in support of construction of the proposed Bell Bend nuclear plant. Over the years PPL has proven time and again to be a vital, contributing partner in our community and I heartily and without reservation endorse their new initiative.

In my position in Berwick, it is my good fortune to meet and work with the leadership of many corporations and government entities. I can tell you from personal experience PPL conducts their business affairs in Berwick with the utmost professionalism and with a sincere interest in the betterment of our community. It is truly a pleasure to work alongside their employees as we strive to build a better community. They give back to Berwick in terms of significant financial donations to the non-profits, and PPL employees provide much needed expertise by serving on various boards of directors and in other volunteer capacities.

There can also be little doubt that our region will benefit tremendously from the positive economic impact this project will generate. Economic development is the single most pressing need in our community, where a full 40% of children qualify for free or reduced school lunches due to economic hardships. Jobs are desperately needed to allow Berwick and our surrounding communities to grow and prosper. This project would create construction and permanent jobs and stimulate other economic development that, quite frankly, our community rarely sees. As one of the largest and best employers in our area, PPL is perhaps the only corporation that can have such impact.

Safe, affordable and clean sources of energy should be a priority for us all. I believe strongly that the Bell Bend nuclear plant will have nothing but positive impact on our area and I strongly encourage you to help further this important initiative.

Sincerely,

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