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Michael A. Canova **Project Manager** EPR Project Branch – Mailstop T-7E18 **Nuclear Regulatory Commission** Division of New Reactor Licensing Office of New Reactors 11545 Rockville Pike Rockville, PA 20852-2738

Dear Mr. Canova:

Please add my endorsement to the list of those who support the construction of the Bell Bend Nuclear Plant project in Salem Township, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania. Nuclear energy has been a part of our community for the past 25 years. We support nuclear energy and would welcome a new advanced-design plant here in our community.

A Bell Bend nuclear unit would be beneficial to the region in many ways. It would create thousands of construction jobs and hundreds of new permanent jobs, which would benefit the economic health of this area and the surrounding region. It would also aid the local economy that will help the housing market, retail businesses and service providers such as restaurants and hotels.

We are at the juncture where we need to be considering new sources of electric generation for this area to grow and prosper. This project has my full support and I ask for your consideration.

Sincerely,

David R. Millard

Member, 109th District

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