

October 3, 2008

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

Dear Mr. Canova:

I am writing to inform you of Luzerne County Community College's support for the proposed Bell Bend nuclear unit.

It is the mission of Luzerne County Community College (LCCC) to offer academic programs that provide pathways for local residents into good paying, challenging careers like those that currently exist at the PPL Susquehanna Steam Electric Station. The new jobs that will be created by the construction and operation of the Bell Bend nuclear unit will significantly benefit our graduates and, in turn, positively impact the economy of our region.

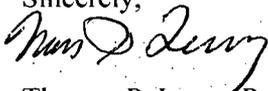
The Bell Bend nuclear unit would create thousands of construction jobs and hundreds of new permanent jobs, which would benefit the economic health of this area and the surrounding region. The ripple effect created by this unit will help the housing market, retail businesses and service providers such as restaurant and hotels.

PPL has been a very strong supporter of LCCC through partnership activities such as assisting with the development of our Nuclear Engineering Technology associate's degree program, serving on our Technologies Advisory Board, and hosting our students each year in internships and cooperative work experience programs. PPL also supports our College by enthusiastically participating in numerous functions on our campus each year, such as our Technologies Information Night, open houses, and presentations to students that help to promote careers in the energy industry.

PPL and its employees support the community in many ways, making the area a better place for people to live and work, which helps to make the area more attractive to industries considering locating or expanding their operations here.

Because of PPL's support for LCCC and the benefit to our community and our students that will be realized through the construction and operation of the Bell Bend nuclear unit, LCCC gives its full support to this effort.

Sincerely,



Thomas P. Leary, President

pc: Nancy Bishop, PPL
Dr. Joseph Grilli, Vice President for Institutes, External Affairs and Planning
Sandra Nicholas, Executive Director of Resource Development
Dr. Gary Mrozinski, Dean, Business and Technologies