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Jennifer Messer, Executive Director  
Central Indiana Regional Development Authority (CIRDA)  
1 Municipal Drive  
Fishers, IN 46038

Ms. Messer:

I am writing on behalf of Newtrient LLC, which is an organization with the mission to reduce the environmental footprint of dairy and make it economically viable to do so. Newtrient was founded by twelve leading dairy cooperatives and represents most of the of the nation's milk supply between these cooperatives and two dairy research and advocacy associations.

Newtrient supports and commits to collaborating with the Central Indiana Regional Development Authority (CIRDA) and its member communities on its proposed CPRG funded regional program for the *Regional Building and Asset Modernization Program* and the *Regional Open Space Revitalization and Connectivity Program*.

In support of the pilot projects and programs, Newtrient's administration and staff will work with CIRDA and its member communities to advance project implementation and program execution where possible and appropriate.

The opportunity to work with CIRDA and its member communities on the CPRG grant implementation provides an opportunity for Newtrient to support regional collaboration in Central Indiana and establish the programmatic infrastructure to generate long term funding of projects related to energy efficiency and revitalization of green infrastructure in our communities as well as serving the dairy industry of Indiana.

The proposed regional programs not only provide an opportunity to fund transformational projects in Central Indiana, but also provide an opportunity to align our private, public, and nonprofit sectors on the environmental, economic, and public health challenges.

Newtrient is excited to participate in this opportunity for the region and looks forward to the transformative impact that can serve as a model for other projects of this kind.

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Mark Stoermann  
Chief Operating Officer  
Newtrient LLC