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Philadelphia Energy Authority
Attn: Emily Schapira, President & CEO
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Dear Ms. Schapira:

I am writing to extend my support to the Philadelphia Energy Authority as it pursues funding from the EPA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program, which is designed to enable states, municipalities, tribes, and territories to 1) implement ambitious measures that will achieve significant cumulative GHG reductions by 2030 and beyond, 2) pursue measures that will achieve substantial community benefits in low-income and disadvantaged communities, 3) complement other funding sources to maximize GHG reductions and community benefits, and 4) pursue innovative policies and programs that are replicable and can be scaled up across multiple jurisdictions.

Upper Dublin Township will construct a model NET ZERO Civic and Public Services Facility to house its Police, Zoning and Permits, Parks and Recreation, Township Engineer, Finance, and Community Room services.

They intend to participate in or directly assist in the design and performance of a project that meets these four goals by incorporating solar panels and a geothermal heating and cooling system into the design of the new facility. This facility will utilize no fossil fuels, therefore there will be no GHG emissions. The energy production will equal the energy consumption creating a net zero facility.

I look forward to playing a role in helping to reduce greenhouse gas emissions across Southeastern Pennsylvania with the goal of protecting human health and the environment as part of this transformative opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Melissa Cerrato".

Melissa Cerrato,
State Representative of 151st Legislative District.