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Chairman James H. Cawley
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
PO Box 3265
Harrisburg, PA 17105

Re: Letter of Endorsement for PowerMinders: Act 129 Programs

Dear Chairman Cawley,

I would like to express my support for PowerMinders in their effort to add a lighting efficiency component to the utility programs of Act 129.

PowerMinders is a growing national network of college students from various schools, including Temple, University of Pennsylvania, Cabrini as well as Penn State University, who advocate the benefits of energy efficiency and conservation. One noteworthy aspect of their initiative entails Student Ambassadors conducting home energy/lighting visits, in which an Ambassador assists the consumer through a simple analysis of their electric bill with consideration of dollars spent in relation to KWH consumed, the environmental impact of the consumer's energy use as well as the benefits of making energy improvements such as a changeover to compact fluorescent light bulbs. Through such visits, PowerMinders not only raises awareness of efficient technologies, but it also offers students experience in the burgeoning energy industry and access to leading energy companies through public relations and its sponsorship network.

Having been very impressed with this student energy initiative to promote energy efficiency and conservation, I respectfully request your full and favorable consideration of PowerMinders as they endeavor to further assist the Commonwealth through an addition to the Act 129 utility programs with their home energy/lighting visits.

I appreciate your time and consideration of this matter. If you have any questions regarding my support for PowerMinders, please do not hesitate to contact me at (717) 787-3110.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robert C. Wonderling'.

Robert C. Wonderling
State Senator, 24th District