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James J. Tedesco III County Executive

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Sent via Email to: BPU Board Secretary Camacho-Welch board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov

Dear Secretary Camacho-Welch,

I am reaching out to express my support for the Electric Vehicle (EV) proposal from PSEG. As County Executive, I strongly believe that this proposal will benefit not only Bergen County, but also the state of NJ as a whole. It is an efficient and reasonable way to improve our environment as well as create hundreds of jobs.

Bergen County has already started moving in the direction that the initiative is supporting. We recently purchased three electric vehicles and have charging stations at two of our largest County buildings. We are also currently in the process of installing more at our County Parks. These steps are the first of many that we plan to take to encourage the usage of electric vehicles.

The PSEG proposal would assist in funding similar purchases by offering grants, rebates and other money saving incentives to residents, commercial property owners and school districts. By increasing universal access of EV chargers, consumers' confidence will rise while "range anxiety" will diminish. These are crucial steps needed toward fulfilling the goal of reducing gas emissions and pollutants.

Thank you in advance for your assistance and support regarding this PSEG proposal.

Sincerely,

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James J. Tedesco, III County Executive