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Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission  
Ms. Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary  
Commonwealth Keystone Building  
2nd Floor, Room N201

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Dear Secretary Chiavetta-

As the Commission considers the Tentative Implementation Order for Act 40 of 2017, I respectfully submit the following comments for consideration.

In 2010, Pocono Raceway developed a 25 acre, 3MW Solar Farm. At the time it went on-line, Pocono Raceway was the largest sport venue in the world to be powered 100% by sustainable energy; a notable accomplishment for a family-owned, Pennsylvania based business. Our project was privately funded, and only American made components were deliberately sourced.

Over the past seven years the SREC market has essentially crumbled in Pennsylvania; putting all Pennsylvania Solar Energy producers at a significant competitive disadvantage. Further, the collapse of the SREC market practically eliminates any incentive for new investment in alternative energy throughout the Commonwealth. And, this is exactly why Pocono Raceway has aggressively advocated to "close the borders" for much of the past four years.

Simply put, why should out-of-state conglomerates be empowered to flood the market and undercut the opportunity and prosperity of Pennsylvania based businesses? Surely, our elected and appointed officials want the best for Pennsylvanians above all others.

To this end, Pocono Raceway has had multiple meetings with representative of the PUC, members of the General Assembly, as well as directly with the current Administration.

We are grateful for the leadership demonstrated by Governor Wolf in championing Solar Energy, as well as for the support of Senator Mario Scavella and Representative Mike Carroll in spearheading Act 40. And, it is our steadfast belief that through Act 40 it was the clear intent and will of the General Assembly as well as the Administration to "close the borders."

Alternative energy solutions drive innovation and economic development while providing modern, technology-focused jobs and educational opportunities. All critical to the advancement of Pennsylvania now and for generations to come.

After careful consideration on what is in the best-interest of Pennsylvania, I am confident that the Commission will share our interpretation of Act 40 and follow the leadership of Chairman Brown and Vice Chairman Place.

Please feel free to contact me directly should you have any questions, or like me to expand on how "closing the borders" will directly and positively impact my family's business. Which, in turn, will expand and deepen the \$257 million annual economic impact Pocono Raceway proudly contributes to the Commonwealth.

Sincerely,

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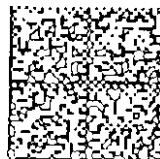
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