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Mr. Stephen M. DeFrank, Chairman  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission  
400 North Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

**Re: Proposed Extension of Bidirectional Service on Laurel Pipeline**

Dear Chairman DeFrank:

I am writing to express my strong support for the approval of extending the bi-directional service on the Laurel Pipeline.

At a time when energy costs continue to place a significant burden on Pennsylvania families and businesses, it is critical that the Commonwealth pursue policies that promote greater access, competition, and efficiency within the liquid fuels market. Many of my constituents are struggling to manage rising household expenses, with higher energy costs contributing substantially to that challenge. Approval of bi-directional service on the Laurel Pipeline would help increase fuel supply flexibility and competition, ultimately contributing to lower costs for gasoline, diesel fuel, and home heating oil.

In addition to its economic benefits, this project would strengthen regional energy security. Currently, much of eastern Pennsylvania's fuel supply depends on the Colonial Pipeline. Given the growing risks posed by cyberattacks and other threats to critical infrastructure, it is prudent to diversify and enhance the resilience of our energy distribution network. Expanding the operational capabilities of the Laurel Pipeline represents a commonsense investment in a more secure and reliable energy future for our region.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I respectfully urge you to approve of extending the bi-directional service on the Laurel Pipeline and support this important step toward greater energy affordability, reliability, and security for Pennsylvania residents.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cris Dush".

Senator Cris Dush  
25th District