August 23, 2019

Subject: Letter of Support, Proposed Federal Tax Credit, Waste-Coal-to-Energy-Facilities

To Whom It May Concern:

For the last twenty five years, three refuse coal reclamation facilities have been outstanding community partners that have supported Central Cambria School District in multiple facets. Without considering the positive impacts the organizations have had in cleaning our waterways and providing energy, between the three, Colver Power Project, Cambria Co-Cogeneration, and Ebensburg Power have contributed over $300,000 annually in tax revenue, monies that have allowed our district to provide a quality education to thousands of students. Moreover, the organizations have contributed in other capacities as well. In addition to providing funding through taxation, the companies have also made direct contributions to our musical and athletic programs in addition to assisting with our academic programs through classroom presentations and hosted field trips to the facilities.

On a larger scale, we are excited as school leaders to support this program. Successful implementation of the legislation will show our students that our government listens and works for the benefit of its citizens. Our region played a vital role in building the United States into what it currently is. The steel mills fired by the local coal built our cities and our transportation from sea to sea. Therefore, dealing with the refuse coal is a burden that should not be faced on only the local or state level. We offer our full support of this key legislation.

Sincerely,

Jason S. Moore
Superintendent
Central Cambria School District