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BY EMAIL

Robert N. Barley, Chairman c/o Douglas L. Eberly, Esquire Pennsylvania Milk Marketing Board Room 110, Agriculture Building 2301 North Cameron Street Harrisburg, PA 171110 Email: deberly@pa.gov

Re: Senate Bill No. 1297

Chairman Barley and Members of the Board:

Dairy Farmers of America, Inc. (DFA) supports the request to continue the over-order-premium at \$1.00 per hundredweight along with the fuel adjuster premium for six months starting July 1st, 2025. However, DFA wants to reaffirm its support for reform to the current system of collecting and distributing the over-order premium in Pennsylvania. Senate Bill No. 1297 would grant the Pennsylvania Milk Board the ability to collect the premium on Class I products at the point of retail sale and to ensure those premiums are distributed to all Pennsylvania dairy farmers in a fair and equitable manner. DFA trusts that Senate Bill No. 1297, if implemented by the Milk Board as laid out above, would increase both transparency and accountability as compared to the current system.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Todd Miller

cc: Drew Frommelt, *Dairy Farmers of America, Inc.*Elizabeth Albright, *Secretary, Pennsylvania Milk Board*Interested Parties