

SUPPORT LETTER TEMPLATE

Please use this template to prepare a support letter on behalf of your farm. If your farm is accepted into our application, your support letter would be submitted with our application to the Pennsylvania Ag Innovation Fund. This can be put on your farm letterhead, if you have it, but doesn't need to be on letterhead as long as you follow the template below.

NAME

FARM NAME

ADDRESS

CITY, PA ZIP CODE

DATE

Mr. Michael Roth

Pennsylvania Department of Ag

c/o PA Ag Innovation Fund

2301 North Cameron St.

Harrisburg, PA 17110

Dear Mr. Roth;

I am writing to provide support for the Center for Dairy Excellence's application to fund "Dairy Innovation Grants" on twenty dairy farms across Pennsylvania through a Pennsylvania Ag Innovation Fund "Regional Impact Project." My family and I [OWN/OPERATE FARM NAME], a dairy farm located in [TOWN, COUNTY], Pennsylvania. We milk XX dairy [COWS/GOATS] and have [\$ in total gross annual sales]. We have been in operation for the past XX years. If accepted into the program, our dairy farm agrees to be part of the Dairy Innovation Grant Program and implement technology and automation on our dairy farm to enhance our efficiency and productivity.

If awarded funds, our dairy farm plans to [DESCRIBE PROJECT]. By implementing this project, our farm will be able to [DESCRIBE HOW THIS PROJECT WILL HELP YOUR FARM ENHANCE EFFICIENCY AND PRODUCTIVITY.] Our farm commits to comply to the requirements outlined in this grant and will work with the Center to provide the required metrics to document improvements resulting from this grant.

Our farm is committed to long term sustainability, and we believe this project will help enhance our productivity and efficiency in the long term. We are thankful to the Center for Dairy Excellence for considering our project as part of the Dairy Innovation Grant Program and encourage the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture to consider the Center's application as a Regional Impact Project that would make a meaningful impact on dairy farms like ours.

Sincerely,

FARMER NAME

TITLE

FARM NAME