



August 29, 2014

The Honorable Dominic Pileggi, Majority Leader
Senate of Pennsylvania
Senate Box 203009
Harrisburg, PA 17120-3009

Dear Senator Pileggi:

PennAg Industries Association is an agriculture trade association with more than 600 business members and has been in existence since 1878. Our mission focuses on working to create and maintain an effective, viable and competitive environment for Pennsylvania agribusiness to grow and prosper.

PennAg Industries Association is supportive of technologies which advance Pennsylvania agriculture and help Pennsylvania meet the overall reductions called for in the Watershed Implementation Plan (WIP) for restoring the Chesapeake Bay. At this time, there is a bill before you (SB 994) that would begin to address this objective. Senate Bill 994 is one tool that could prove to be beneficial to Pennsylvania agriculture.

PennAg supports the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as well as federal agencies to create, maintain and modify regulatory guidelines and programs to facilitate the growth of technology and systems which are innovative and proven to supply the end result needed to restore the Chesapeake Bay. This would include supporting the entrepreneurial effort by encouraging private and public financing to fuel innovative technologies as well as funding for the purchase of verified agricultural credits.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "CHRISTIAN R. HERR", is written over a horizontal line.

Christian R. Herr
Executive Vice President, PennAg