

March 7, 2007



Honorable Dennis Yablonsky  
Secretary  
Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development  
400 North Street, 4th Floor  
Commonwealth Keystone Building  
Harrisburg, PA 17120-0225

Dear Secretary Yablonsky:

Powers & Associates, LLC enthusiastically supports Governor Rendell's Energy Independence Fund initiative. The proposal makes a dramatic statement about Pennsylvania's commitment to the promotion of advanced energy technologies.

My firm is a real estate development company dedicated to urban renewal. I am pleased to see the incorporation of programs in the initiative that will assist firms such as mine with green technologies. Incentive grants and loans for the incorporation of Leadership in Energy and Environment Design standards into building renovation and construction will greatly assist my company's efforts to utilize state-of-the-art energy efficiency technologies. Powers & Associates is eager to partner with your Department when these new programs are available.

Thank you for your leadership in providing the opportunity for the real estate development community to participate in the Governor's new energy programs. Please contact me if I can assist your efforts to secure enactment of this important initiative.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Powers  
President