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Mr Dean D. Ball PE
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Dear Mr. Ball:

The Potter Township Board of Supervisors has closely followed the refinement of the State College PEL Study Area and appreciate your consideration of our previous comments and the concerns of Potter Township citizens. We have been attending update meetings and listening to comments, concerns and suggestions of many of our citizens.

We continue to support an alignment that creates the least impact to our citizens properties by keeping the footprint as limited as possible while providing safe traffic flow. After reviewing the latest study boundary and roadway options and hearing comments from our citizens; we have additional comments as follows:

1. The connector to PA Route 45 should be eliminated from consideration. It offers no benefit to our citizens and will significantly increase the hazard to our citizens traveling on already congested Route 45. We strongly suggest that the new study boundary be modified so the connector is not even part of the NEPA process.
2. Provision for on-off access to businesses in our PCI district along existing 322 is essential for future viability of this important sector of our Township. We suggest that such access be achieved without any cross-connection opportunity to Route 45.

We continue to look forward to working with Penn DOT to achieve the most equable cost-effective solution to central Pennsylvania's transportation needs.

Sincerely

Dick A Decker, Chairman

cc: James Saylor, Principal Transportation Planner, CRPA
Eric Bernier, CCMPO Chairman
Tom Zurat, P.E., PennDOT District 2
Bruce Lord, Supervisor, Harris Township