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Charlie T. Smisson, Jr.
State Energy Coordinator
Delaware Energy Office
146 South Governors Avenue
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Dear Charlie:

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to review a copy of the Task Force's report on the proposed Sustainable Energy Utility for Delaware. I found this to be an enormously exciting and promising development that could bring Delaware to a leading position as a national model for how states can act to reduce energy use and our national carbon footprint.

We are flattered that you have chosen a fundamental financial structure based on the model that has proven to be so successful here in Vermont. Efficiency Vermont has clearly demonstrated that an independent entity dedicated to delivering energy savings is effective, trusted, accountable, and cost-efficient.

Delaware's approach of extending its demand-side utility activity to encompass non-regulated fuels, transportation, and the development of renewables, while also including electrical energy efficiency, is a logical and critically important next step. We would be very enthusiastic about sharing our experience, documents, and lessons learned with whoever is selected to operate the utility.

In addition, we look forward to learning from Delaware as you further this well-thought-out initiative. Please do not hesitate to contact me if we can provide any additional assistance.

Sincerely,



Blair Hamilton
Director



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