

Dear Representative Lawrence:

My name is Kent Heffner. My family and I operate a 200 cow dairy herd in Schuylkill County. We ship our milk to Guers Dairy, a small family owned processing facility. We support legislation to encourage transparency and accountability of the over order premiums paid to Pennsylvania dairy farmers.

It is of great importance to have uniform standards in the dairy industry. Even more important is to have transparency of the premium monies. We need to know how much money is coming back to the farm so we can accurately manage our operations. In today's era of thin profit margins, it would be helpful to know just how much of the premium will be available to cover expenses.

I appreciate that you are making an effort to help the dairy farmers. Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

Kent Heffner