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Chairperson Baker and members of the committee,

As of the last 2 remaining dairies in the State, I support the proposed bill.

The local dairy industry is under tremendous pressure to survive. The current pricing is inadequate to cover the expenses of operating a dairy farm.

The unprecedented surge in commodity prices are negatively impacting the industry. Any pricing mechanism that is resulting in a lower price paid to the farms is worsening our viability.

Thank you for your support, Sincerely,

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