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The Honorable Sean Duffy
Department of Transportation, US Maritime Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Duffy:

I am writing to you to express my strong support for the Redevelopment Authority of the County of Delaware (DCRDA) on behalf of Penn Terminal's application for funding through the US Maritime Administration's (MARAD) 2026 Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP).

Located in Delaware County, Pennsylvania, DCRDA seeks funding in the amount of $11,250,000 for the Penn Terminals Cargo Handling Upgrades Project (the Project). The Project will fund the purchase and installation of eight hundred and forty BABA-compliant refrigeration plugs (reefer plugs) and twenty-four refrigeration racks (reefer racks), as well as electrical and civil infrastructure upgrades. The improvements will expand the refrigerated cargo capacity and enhance the terminal's ability to handle temperature-sensitive cargo.

The Project will centralize Penn Terminals' refrigerated container operations with the new reefer plugs and racks. The centralized location will support increased efficient access to staged cargo containers, improve yard utilization, truck circulation, worker safety, and operational resilience. The Project will allow Penn Terminals to make necessary infrastructure upgrades that support more efficient and dependable freight movement.

I strongly urge the Department of Transportation to give this application full and favorable consideration. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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