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PATRICIA FLANNERY
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William Dressel
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Dear Mr. Dressel:

I have enclosed for your review and distribution the report and suggested rule changes recommended by Bridgewater Township in response to the BPU vegetation management practices required of the public utilities. As we have discussed, these practices have a detrimental impact on the quality of life, property values and environmental conditions of the surrounding homeowners and communities.

In our report we have crafted reasonable and equitable changes that will enable utility companies to maintain reliability and safety in the transmission and distribution of energy while maintaining protections for surrounding property owners. I appreciate your support and assistance in spreading the word to other New Jersey municipalities in an effort to achieve grass roots change.

Bridgewater Township will be submitting a resolution for support at the NJ League of Municipalities convention in November. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,


Patricia Flannery
Mayor