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Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman  
Albany County Legislature  
112 State Street, Room 710  
Albany, New York 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce:

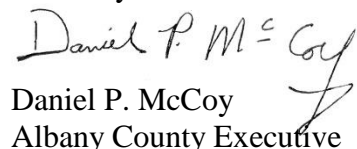
Following the severe wind storm on October 7, 2020, National Grid made \$20,000 available to Albany County through a special release of its '10,000 TREES...AND GROWING!' program. The funding is in the form of a reimbursement grant of \$150 per tree to replace trees that were damaged or lost during the severe storm. The funding is targeted at municipalities hardest hit by the storm and does not apply to the City of Albany, which is receiving its own dedicated funding from National Grid.

The County is electing to run the program through the Soil and Water Conservation District based on their specialized knowledge and experience administering both grant and tree programs. National The County and District have already begun working with heavily impacted municipalities to determine locations for tree planting. The partnering municipalities will be required to provide one year of maintenance.

National Grid requires a resolution of the governing body of the County to designate an entity other than the County to administer the program. Sample resolution language provided by National Grid is attached.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely

  
Daniel P. McCoy  
Albany County Executive

cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader  
Hon. Frank Mauriello, Minority Leader  
Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel  
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