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Dear PMMB Committee Members and Staff,

My Name is Tim Wood. I am a Lifetime Tioga County Farmer. I currently own a Farm along the border with New York in the Town of Tioga. I'm blessed with some of the best ground in Tioga County which allows me to grow more than enough forage and grains that my herd needs.

I come here today representing the forgotten 80% myself included. We go to the barn milk and feed the cows try to make ends meet. We are missing something the other 20% of Dairy Farmers get we don't get any or hardly any of The PMMB'S Premium. Some of the other Testimony Today touches on what a difference that can make, but we the 80% won't get any of that. In Our World we don't get to many Premiums. We get deductions.

Speaking on my Farm we pay \$2.25 Marketing and another \$2.00 plus for Trucking. So, with Dues and other things total \$4.50 before I ever pay any of my bills. These basic inequities are imbedded in the distribution of the OOP. I agree with PDA that this cannot and should not be allowed to continue.

The second point I would like to address is the so-called stranded premium. I live next to the town of Lawrenceville PA this town also has a store in NY at the North End of town. The store in town is \$5.09 a gallon all stores in PA have a minimum price, but if it does not meet all three produced, packaged, and sold in PA the monies will not be distributed to any Dairy Farmers. These Premiums are just lost in the system as these stranded premiums have been addressed in previous testimony they would have to be fixed in any new system.

The Third problem that would need to be addressed is the movement of milk into and out of Pa to make it part of the Premium or not. These movements in milk can and do happen every day by Co-ops. and Plants Privately Owned. This would have to be corrected in Order to maximize the amount of money returned to Farmers the decision is all legal, but needs to be addressed to make it fair.

In conclusion, I think the three Pillars in PDA testimony need to be inactive and unless they are inactive there should be no premium collected and distributed. To continue to collect and distribute would only encourage those manipulating the system to continue. Instead lets encourage everyone and come to the table and fix the three pillars and have a Premium and Distribution we can be proud of.

Timothy Wood

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