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January 27, 2004

Ambassador Robert B. Zoellick
The United States Trade Representative
600 17th St. N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20508

Dear Ambassador Zoellick:

"The State of Pennsylvania authorizes the U.S. Trade Representative to offer access to the Pennsylvania State government procurement market in new trade agreements that USTR is currently negotiating. These include trade agreements with Morocco, Australia, the countries of the Central American Common Market (Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua), the South African Customs Union (Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia, South Africa and Swaziland), and the Free Trade Agreement of the Americas. Pennsylvania will undertake the same commitments with regard to these new agreements that it has already undertaken under the WTO Agreement on Government Procurement."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Edward G. Rendell".

Edward G. Rendell
Governor