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House Environmental Matters Committee
251 House Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: Support HB 1169 “Agricultural Energy Production Act of 2010”

Dear Chairman McIntosh and Members of the Committee:

The Maryland League of Conservation Voters urges your support of HB 1169, which allows farmers to use methane gas to power their farms.

This bill will help keep farmer’s farming by allowing them to save money on their electric bills and will help keep pollution from our waters by diverting waste to energy.

We wish to thank Delegate Bartlett for his leadership on this issue and the committee for its consideration of this important matter. We respectfully urge a favorable report of HB 1169.

Sincerely,

Cindy Schwartz
Executive Director

For more than 30 years, the Maryland League of Conservation Voters has been the independent political voice for the environment in our state. Maryland LCV is dedicated to making environmental protection and restoration a top priority for Maryland’s elected officials, appointed leaders, candidates and voters. The Maryland League of Conservation Voters advocates for sound conservation policies, works to get pro-environment candidates elected, and holds elected officials accountable for their votes and actions.