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The Honorable Isiah Leggett
County Executive
Montgomery County
Executive Office Building, 2nd Floor
101 Monroe Street
Rockville MD 20850

Dear County Executive Leggett:

Thank you for your call yesterday. You made several persuasive arguments regarding the request from MDOT to increase Montgomery County's support of the Purple Line Light Rail Project by \$50 million. I appreciate the frank dialogue.

I must stress that the Purple Line Project will not move forward without the additional support requested from Montgomery and Prince Georges Counties. I believe the long-term benefits from the Purple Line Light Rail Project will repay the counties' total investment many times over in economic growth and future improved mobility for the region.

In response to the issues you've raised, MDOT will lower the supplementary contribution from Montgomery County to \$40 million. I need confirmation from Montgomery County that it will provide the additional funding very soon, as the four teams in the procurement solicitation are awaiting indications from both counties before they fully reengage preparing their proposals.

I look forward to working closely with you and Montgomery County to deliver a critical project for your county, the region and the State of Maryland.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "PKR", written over a faint circular stamp.

Pete K. Rahn
Secretary