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	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 10-0 581 ⁶¹¹		

TO

The Honorable President and Members
of the City Council
c/o Karen Randle
Room 400 City Hall

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I am herein reporting on City Council Bill #10-0611.

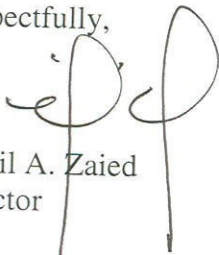
The purpose of the Bill is to grant a franchise to Energy Answers International, Inc., to construct, use, and maintain a private 115 kV cable conduit system under and across portions of the West Patapsco Avenue, Potee Street, Hanover Street, Baltic Avenue, Second Street, Frankfurst Avenue, Frankfurst Avenue Relocated, Shell Road, and East Patapsco Avenue rights-of-way, to connect a Fairfield Alternative and Renewable Energy Project located on the property known as 1701 E. Patapsco Avenue with the Pumphrey Substation located in Baltimore County, Maryland, subject to certain terms, conditions, and reservations; and providing for a special effective date.

The Department of Transportation (DOT), which maintains a system of over 14,000 manholes and 3.7 million feet of underground conduit, has reviewed this bill and agrees that this project is only beneficial for the City and will satisfactorily integrate into its underground infrastructure system. As mentioned in the bill recitals, Energy Answers International anticipates that this project can transform processed materials sourced primarily from municipal solid waste into up to 140 megawatts of steam and electricity. To support this, Energy Answers must construct a 115 kV cable conduit system from the Fairfield Alternative and Renewable Energy Project to the Pumphrey Substation located in Baltimore County. DOT's Conduit Division has reviewed and approved plans for this project.

This project represents a substantial private investment in the City of Baltimore of approximately \$1 billion, and is projected to generate approximately 1,300 construction jobs and 780 direct, permanent jobs. If under construction by December 2010, the project may be eligible for up to \$300 million in Federal funding.

Based on these findings, the Department of Transportation strongly supports the passage of City Council Bill 10-0581.

Respectfully,



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Director

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Cc: Ms. Angela C. Gibson
Mr. Jamie Kendrick
Mr. Frank Murphy

