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We raise animals and preserve native habitat in the Montgomery County Agricultural Reserve near the Potomac River and at the extreme edge of PEPCO's service territory. We appreciate and will remember your actions with regard to a much needed moratorium on data centers in the county. Currently, there are no state or county regulations governing data center siting, limits on how much water and power they can use, or recovering the costs of county resource depletion and their effects on county residents, specifically the massive resource needs of these facilities. A moratorium on new facilities is necessary and prudent until such regulations are enacted at both levels of government under normal and ordinary rule making procedures that ensure constituent access, public participation and judicial review.

Thank you for your consideration.