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Dear Dr. Powers,

As you know, members of the Michigan Small Farm Council have repeatedly requested membership on the Site Selection GAAMP Committee that you chair, which each year considers changes to the Generally Accepted Agricultural and Management Practices for Site Selection and Odor Control for New and Expanding Livestock Production Facilities.

I am now writing to request that the Site Selection GAAMP Committee comply with all requirements of the Open Meetings Act (OMA)(Act 267 of 1976). The Michigan Open Meetings Act requires that all public bodies hold public meetings, make all decisions at public meetings, provide public notice of all meetings, keep minutes, and permit public comments. I am requesting that the Site Selection GAAMP Committee that you chair meet these and all other requirements of the Open Meetings Act, beginning immediately. I have attached a copy of the OMA for your convenience. Please let me know whether you agree that the Site Selection GAAMP Committee is subject to the Open Meetings Act, and if you will be complying with the OMA going forward.

Many thanks for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

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