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Mr. Charlie Tebbut
Co-Chair, Dairy Education Alliance
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Dear Mr. Tebbut and Members of the Dairy Education Alliance:

Congratulations on the recent formation of the Dairy Education Alliance. I would like to commend you for your valuable work in addressing and highlighting the many environmental, health and safety issues associated with industrial dairy operations.

The devastating impact of industrial-sized dairies is an important issue that has unfortunately been neglected by many in the media and policy communities. Your efforts to educate the public about this environmental threat are not only admirable but critical for the health and safety of many rural communities around the country. Thank you for serving as the voice of the countless families and communities that suffer from these industrial practices.

I look forward to our continued collaboration to address the threats posed by industrial dairy operations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John F. Kerry".

John F. Kerry