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Dear Professor Awokuse,

Thank you for consulting us at the Department of Mathematical Sciences regarding your proposed department name change. We are pleased to offer our strong support for your proposed name change from the "Department of Food and Resource Economics" to the "Department of Applied Economics and Statistics." The name change should help increase the visibility of various opportunities for faculty and prospective students provided by the statistics program at the University of Delaware.

The Department of Mathematical Sciences is excited about the prospects of a stronger working relationship and increased collaboration between our two departments.

Best regards,

John A. Pelesko Professor and Chair

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