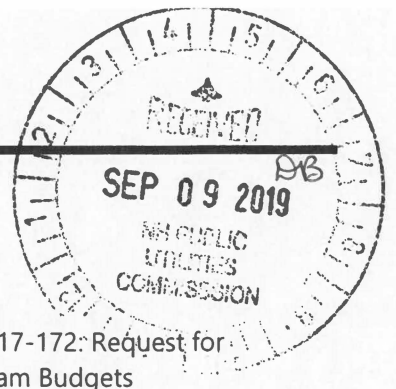


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Dear Executive Director and Commissioners,

Please consider rejecting the following September 6, 2019 FY20 Renewable Energy Fund Program Budgets recommendation by the NHPUC Sustainable Energy Division staff, which effectively terminates the C&I Solar Rebate Program which has been historically relied upon by small NH businesses, by defunding it for any new applications.

Instead seemingly favoring the C&I Competitive Grants program, whose proposals are typically subject to subjective judgement and/or arbitrary restriction; as opposed to the C&I Solar Rebate program, which was structured to be uniformly available to all businesses and municipal entities making a corresponding investment in renewable solar energy.

If the PUC is truly interested in providing equitable benefit to the state's citizens and businesses in support of a sustainable energy initiative, it should favor programs which are void of potential subjective judgment, although may be structured to favor projects on measurable attributes, such as size and cost-efficiency; likely favoring smaller (i.e. typically residential and small business) projects to most broadly and equitably incentivize such investment, and which by their nature will tend to represent less burden to the state's electric utilities (as opposed to the challenges which a vastly fewer number of less geographically disperse large customer generators, would likely pose).

I don't know what the best incentive program structure is, but I do strongly believe favoring restrictive, burdensome, and subjectively judged programs such as the C&I Competitive Grants program, over those structured to provide broad uniformly equitable incentive to encourage investment in cost effective renewable energy, is a mistake; as it would not in the broadest best interest of the citizens of this State and respective businesses, to whom the NHPUC is responsible to.

Best regards,

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Attached please find a Staff Memo in the above mentioned dockets.

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