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To Chairman Goldner and the NH PUC,

I'm writing as a New Hampshire resident and homeowner to express my disappointment in your recent decision to not only deny DE 20-092 2021–2023 but also to reduce funding in New Hampshire's green energy programs over the next couple of years. These are important program that, for a very small fee on our power bills and gas bills, gives many NH residents an opportunity that they likely would not otherwise have to increase the energy efficiency of their homes and save themselves money in the long run.

Repeatedly in your decision, you discuss how the return on investment is too small. Who is it too small for?

- The NH small businesses built around putting these improvements in place that will now lose hundreds of thousands in sales?
- The family in poverty who spends all of their money on heating/electricity due to an inefficient home and can't afford to put food on the table but could have with the subsidies the program was providing?
- The middle income family that wants to invest money now in order to improve the efficiency of their home in the future?

The only group of people that I see potentially saving money by this decision are the utility companies who now have to produce less gas/electricity to satisfy their customers -- and even they spoke out against this decision.

The fact of the matter is that NH already had one of the worst green energy programs in New England and yet the benefits of having a strong green energy program are enormous -- it saves money for everyone that invests in it, it stimulates the NH small businesses building these improvements, and it leaves the state in a better state for generations that come after us. Having read through the docket on this decision, everyone was voicing the same opinion -- we need a stronger green energy program in New Hampshire -- except for the New Hampshire PUC itself. I urge you to please, on behalf of New Hampshire residents, reconsider making such a big decision.

Thank you for your time, Brian Avery, Epping NH