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Public Utilities Commission,

To the members of the Public Utilities Commission,

I am writing to you today to ask you to reconsider your decision re: DE 20-092. We cannot cut energy efficiency spending in the state - ratepayers need NH Saves and our climate needs us to reduce our energy demand.

NH Saves means more families can afford to stay warm and pay their energy bills. Energy efficiency reduces our utility bills and allows us to weatherize our homes and purchase better appliances. Ratepayers need the NHSaves programs for our businesses and our homes.

Especially now, climate change is making an impact in New Hampshire. We cannot ignore climate change and must do what we can to use more renewable energy and less fossil fuels. One of the easiest ways to do that is to increase energy efficiency programs so that we reduce our overall energy consumption. NHSaves is one small piece that we need to be doing to decrease our use of fossil fuels.

Please consider changing your decision for DE 20-092. Our lives depend on it.

Thank you.

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