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Subject: Support for Settlement Proposal and CPCNH modifications for Net Metering Docket (PUC Docket DE 22-060)

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Dear Governor Sununu,
(cc: NH-PUC, NH-DOE)

I recently learned that the NH Public Utilities Commission will soon issue an Order concerning PUC Docket DE 22-060 on Changes to the Current Net Metering Tariff Structure. I understand a Settlement Agreement has been filed by several parties in addition to other proposals offered by the Community Power Coalition and the NH Department of Energy.

I urge the PUC to accept this Settlement Agreement with the proposed modifications by the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire.

As a solar homeowner and as a Sustainable Hanover volunteer familiar with many of Hanover's 300 plus households using electricity from rooftop and ground mounted systems, I understand that the many benefits of solar require fair and equitable NEM tariffs to enable private investment in this clean energy source. This is an especially important consideration as federal incentives are making it possible for more lower income populations to adopt solar. It is gratifying to notice that studies have established that the benefits of net metering flow as much, if not more so, to non-solar electricity users on the grid. And as one of Hanover's 300 solar households who are frustrated at not being able to access the energy savings and energy choices available from Hanover Community Power, I will close by highlighting my support for the load settlement recommendation in the CPCNH proposal.

I am copying the PUC Clerk on this email so that my concern and support for the Settlement Agreement will be entered into the docket as a public comment.

Sincerely,

Yolanda Baumgartner / Hanover, NH