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**Subject:** Concerned about the future of net metering in NH (PUC Docket DE 22-060)

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

I recently learned that the NH Public Utilities Commission is about to release 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 the three investor-owned electric utilities, Clean Energy NH, Conservation Law Foundation (CLF), the Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA), and the NH Hydro Association.

**I urge the PUC to accept this Settlement Agreement. as NEM at a fair rate/or along with other incentives, allows homeowners to break even within a reasonable amount of time, for a solar investment. Since the average is seven years for home ownership, it is already a stretch to install solar and realize any benefit at all from it other than contributing to carbon reduction. If NEM and other incentives allow for a reasonable payback period, then more homeowners and businesses will adopt. Otherwise, NH will fall behind on any carbon offset initiatives in a precipitous way. There are already many folks that don't see a good reason to adopt solar. What is the Value of Solar VOS in dollars to all of us taxpayers and utility users? All initiatives in this country that led to infrastructure changes, we(taxpayers) subsidized initially to incentivize investing. Multifamily housing, oil exploration, railroads, auto manufacturing. space exploration, etc.. If distributed generation is a real initiative, then let's incentivize.**

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.

Sincerely,

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