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**Subject:** Ensure a Future of Net Metering in NH (re: PUC Docket DE 22-060)

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Governor Sununu, Public Utilities Commission, and DOE Commissioners Chicoine and Ellms,

I understand that the NH Public Utilities Commission will soon release an Order concerning Docket DE 22-060 re: Changes to the Current Net Metering Tariff Structure. I understand a Settlement Agreement has been filed by utilities, Clean Energy NH, Conservation Law Foundation (CLF), the Office of the Consumer the three investor-owned electricAdvocate (OCA), and the NH Hydro Association. This Settlement ensures our state maintains a viable net metering policy and that customer generators are fairly compensated for the power they provide to the grid, promoting market competition and consumer choice.

I am writing to urge the Public Utilities Commission to accept the Settlement Agreement. Net metering reduces costs, stimulates economic growth, and promotes public health while contributing to the development of a more reliable, resilient energy grid.

Even more, it is important to me personally, because as a homeowner net metering offsets my electric bill by selling excess solar energy back to the grid, leading to a significant cost savings over time. It also increases the return on my solar investment by ensuring we get full value for the energy my system produces. Net metering helps reduce our carbon footprint. Which aligns with my family's commitment to sustainability. Finally, in the long term it promotes the growth of solar energy systems in homes by making solar investments more financially viable for other homeowners like us.

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. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Marshall Banks

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