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Re: DE 17-136; Energy Optimization Report

Dear Ms. Howland,

On October 3rd Commission Staff filed on behalf of the B/C Working Group a report summarizing the findings of the New Hampshire Cost-Effectiveness Review and Energy Optimization through Fuel Switching Study. On November 6th, the Commission issued a secretarial letter stating that it would accept comments on the report through November 13th. Clean Energy NH offers the remarks below as comments on the Energy Optimization Report.

CENH appreciates the dedicated work put in by the working group on this report. However, the report is mostly focused on fuel switching as beneficial electrification. While we strongly support beneficial electrification as a form of energy optimization, we would hope that if our programs move forward with the adoption of an energy optimization framework that we would ensure a technology neutral approach which encourages adoption of all forms of renewable and efficient energy including but not limited to geothermal energy and modern efficient centralized wood heating.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments,

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