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Dear PUC Commissioners,

I'm writing to request that you approve the 2021-2023 energy efficiency plan as updated by the settlement agreement signed by the Consumer Advocate, the Conservation Law Foundation, Clean Energy New Hampshire, and all four of our electric and natural gas utilities.

As a consumer, I can attest to the benefit I received in 2011 when I had my home weatherized through the NHSAVES program. I was recently retired and concerned that I reduce energy costs to protect my fixed income in the coming years. I've been well rewarded for my 50% of the costs of insulating my attic and sealing leaks. I consume 20% less oil than I did before NHSAVES and can weather summers with fans instead of window air conditioners. I also replaced lights and appliances which keeps my monthly electric bill around \$65 per month (I use approximately 300 KWH/month), even with purchasing 100% renewable energy from a competitive supplier.

As Chair of my town's energy commission, I have tracked our municipal energy consumption and spending since 2009. We save thousands of dollars of taxpayer money each year because of the LED and energy efficiency/weatherization programs that voters have supported over the years.

We don't have enough trained technicians to meet all the demand for energy efficiency work. These are good paying jobs that we should be promoting by funding training programs, not by cutting off a prime source of true economic stimulus.

Thank you for accepting my comment on the docket. I hope you will approve the settlement agreement by December 28th at the latest.

Sincerely,
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