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Dear PUC Commissioners,

I am writing today to express my heartfelt dismay at the recent delayed approval of the 2021-2023 Triennial Energy Efficiency Plan as updated by the settlement agreement by the Consumer Advocate, the Conservation Law Foundation, Clean Energy NH, and all four of the statewide electric and natural gas utilities.

As a New Hampshire consumer working to weatherize my home to make it comfortable during the cold winter months, I am concerned that this delay will only hinder both the availability of programs to help homeowners in the state afford energy efficiency upgrades and stall employment and training for workers adversely hit by Covid-19. I have already taken advantage of LED lighting and smart thermometers offered by NHSaves to lower and monitor my energy usage and I am awaiting a decision on help for much needed attic insulation. These changes will not only lower my consumption and also do my part to help lower the overall energy footprint of our state.

In today's current economy and environmental degradation, training technicians to weatherize homes is a win-win for the state, its residents, and economic development. Delaying vital funding to this training and energy efficiency work will only make state residents less comfortable, use more fuel, and have even more limited job choice for those seeking work. Granite Staters should be training more workers and rising to the need to help both the economy and our residents, not delaying funding to programs that will help residents come out of this crisis stronger and more comfortable.

Sincerely yours,

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