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To: PUC: <puc@puc.nh.gov>

Subject: Defunding of Energy Efficiency Programs

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To whom it may concern,

I'm reaching out because my wife and I purchased a 100+ year old hold in Bethlehem, NH. We have been working hard to perform repairs and maintenance to our home while trying to keep its historical value to the community.

Thanks to the previous rebate programs we have been able to afford massive energy efficiency improvements to our home; allowing us to comfortably live inside during our cold winters. We recently installed a Pellet Boiler which has been great.

This past summer we had an energy audit and scheduled a multitude of efficiency upgrades from insulation to air sealing. Now due to the defunding order made by the PUC, our contractor has suspended our contract due to the potential lack of programming funding.

I understand where you are coming from in regards to the added utility charges to businesses and residencies; however, I know many in this state are passionate about a greener more efficient future. Programs and initiatives like this support the community's future. Things are getting more expensive, colder and tougher to "weather". Just like taxes and social security, we all do our part to help for the greater good. Why should this be any different. I would gladly pay \$70 for the rest of my days if it can provide me such a large savings on my efficiency projects. These ensure my home will be safe to use even after I am long gone.

People from New Hampshire are proud of their state, they want to support others. Let us pay in our share to provide these amazing rebates for the entire state.

Please reconsider your order, it is embarrassing to be surrounded by states like Maine and Vermont that have MUCH better efficiency programs. We are New Hampshire, we can do better.

Sincerely,

Aaron Goldman