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Subject: Concerned about the future of net metering in NH (PUC Docket DE 22-060)

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Governor Sununu,

(cc: NH-PUC, NH-DOE)

I recently learned that the NH Public Utilities Commission is about to release an Order concerning PUC Docket DE 22-060 on Changes to the Current Net Metering Tariff Structure. I understand a Settlement Agreement has been filed by the three investor-owned electric utilities, Clean Energy NH, Conservation Law Foundation (CLF), the Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA), and the NH Hydro Association.

I urge the PUC to accept this Settlement Agreement.

We want to see New Hampshire transition to clean energy and solar must be a huge part of that. We don't want to see the solar industry ground to a halt, losing time and staff, and having to start up again. That's bad for everyone!

We are planning a new home and hope to invest in solar energy to stabilize and offset our electricity costs. Net metering will make it possible to use all the power we may produce, even if we can't use it at the moment it is generated. Otherwise, we'd need a battery to store excess power for later use. We'd rather any excess energy go to the grid and into our neighbors' homes. We would hate to see net metering go away and prevent others in our community and throughout the state from accessing the benefits we may get as a solar homeowner with net metering.

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.

Sincerely,

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