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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, I
(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. I have, for the past several years, served on the Randolph Town Energy Committee. Our major accomplishment thus far has been the installation of a solar panel system to offset the costs of energy use at our Town Hall/Library building and intend to embark on a project at our Municipal Building. While those of us on the committee may be sufficiently pleased with the environmental implications of our work, there is no question that approval of our projects at Town Meeting are dependent on establishing long-term financial advantages.

New Hampshire should lead in valuing and preserving our environment. In this area in particular, our residents and tourists value clean air and support efforts to mitigate climate change. Please continue to support efforts to diminish our reliance on fossil fuels.

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,

Richard Umiker
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