

August 17, 2012

Debra A. Howland Executive Director New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301

> Re: Docket DE 10-188 Response to Utilities' Proposal of RGGI Proceeds Relative to Core Programs

COMMISSION

Dear Ms. Howland:

Clean Air-Cool Planet would like to respond as an interested party to the August 10, 2012 utilities proposal regarding the use of \$2 million in RGGI funds. The utilities' proposal is in response to the July 13 Supplemental Order of Notice, DE 10-188.

In the August 1, 2012 technical session, the utilities proposed to first allocate a portion of funds to low-income weatherization. All parties agreed to a 15% allocation at that meeting. In the same meeting the utilities recommended using the remaining portion of the \$2 million to supplement existing Core energy efficiency programs for residential and commercial customers; this is reiterated in the utilities' August 10, 2012 proposal submitted to the NH PUC.

We agree with the utilities that 15% of the \$2 million RGGI funds be allocated to residential low-income weatherization (Home Energy Assistance) program. Separate and apart from the discussions related to RGGI proceeds from remaining 2012 auctions, Clean Air-Cool Planet supports the utilities' proposal for use of the remaining \$1,574,074. The existing Core energy efficiency programs represent a pragmatic and effective approach to obligate current RGGI funds now, in order to serve residential and commercial customers in the remaining months of 2012.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Roger Stephenson

Vice President for Programs

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Subject: Letter in response to utility proposal on 2012 RGGI funds

Ms. Howland,

Clean Air-Cool Planet is sending this letter as an interested party in response to the joint utility proposal for the use of RGGI funds during the remaining months of the 2012 core program year.

Thank you,

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