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



Re: DE 10-188 CORE Electric Energy Efficiency and Gas Efficiency Programs
Better Buildings Collaboration with CDFA

Dear Ms. Howland,

On July, 2nd, New Hampshire Electric Cooperative (NHEC) entered into an agreement with the New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority (CDFA) to receive BetterBuildings funding from CDFA to expand the Home Performance with Energy Star (HPwES) program offered within the NHEC service area.

NHEC operates the HPwES program, as approved by the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (NHPUC), offering weatherization services for its members who have electric heat utilizing System Benefits Charge funding (SBC). Also, NHEC operates additional non-jurisdictional components of the HPwES program, offering fuel neutral weatherization services to its members as approved by the NHEC board of Directors, utilizing other, non-SBC funding.

Members participating in the Better buildings HPwES program will receive a rebate in compliance with the PUC approved HPwES program. Half of the member rebate will be paid with the BetterBuildings funds provided by CDFA and the remaining half will be paid from NHEC funds as part of the HPwES program, according to the type of heat the member has. For members who have electric heat, SBC funds will be used. For members with non-electric heat, other non-SBC funding will be used.

BetterBuildings funds will be used only to supplement the rebates paid in the existing HPwES program. NHEC is not proposing any changes to the Residential Energy Efficiency Loan program.

Sincerely

Carol Woods
Energy Solutions Manager

Cc: Service List