

Massaro, Luly (PUC)

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To: Massaro, Luly (PUC)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] : RI General Law 39-26-6(d)

Luly E. Massaro
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Public Utilities Clerk
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Dear Luly and Commission Members,

In response in a public notice to accept comments to the PUC as advertised in the Providence Journal on December 8, 2018, I would like to call out the probability of achieving a 16.0% target of utilizing renewable energy supply is highly unlikely and more importantly undesirable. Although the PUC is tasked with enforcing legislation that comes out the RI General Assembly, I wish that the PUC would also help the public to understand exactly the consequences of the mandated energy legislation such as this and others. Residents and businesses of the State of Rhode Island pay some of the highest electricity bills in the country partly due to legislation like this and others like the wind farm off Block Island that the taxpayers will be on the hook for years to come.

In closing, I hope that the obligation would be delayed entirely in 2020 and that the PUC would take a more high profile public education and outreach to inform the public the cost of these green energy initiatives to the rate payers and also the need to permit the gas plant being proposed in Burrillville because this region of New England is losing power generating facilities as a result of multiple plants being shut down in the area. In the future, we may be facing rolling blackouts in the winter that no wind turbines or solar panels will ever help heat our homes and businesses.

Sincerely,

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