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To the Department of Public Service,

I am writing to express my great disappointment in your draft Comprehensive Energy Plan.

Climate change is not something that's going to take place decades in the future. It's happening now, and will have a major impact during your lifetime, and a significant and very negative impact on your children's and grandchildren's lives. It will make their lives less safe and secure, and will cause them to have a very different and unstable ecosystem and climate system from what we experience today.

To reduce the negative impacts they will experience, we need to move away from fossil fuels as quickly as possible, and we need to electrify our transportation and weatherization sectors as quickly as possible.

The nonprofit I run is building a new headquarters. It will be powered by solar, all-electric, and will have an EV charger for employees. This is the future we need to promote, incentivize, and encourage on a massive scale.

And yet your plan does not recommend any in-state renewable energy beyond a tiny 10% required by state law, and does not make any mention of wind power. I realize that some people don't favor wind power, but you were put in your position to make the right decisions for our state — not the easy ones. Please think of your children and grandchildren, and revise the CEP to better reflect the future that our state, and our world, needs.

Thank you,

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