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Regarding SB 572, An Act Concerning Carbon-Free Generation

Senator Fonfara, Representative Fontana, and members of the committee: Environment Connecticut is pleased to offer this testimony regarding SB 572.

Environment Connecticut encourages the committee to build upon existing initiatives directed towards increasing Connecticut's electric generation from carbon-free Class I renewable generation resources.

We respectfully suggest that a task force or study of such resources and opportunities for increasing such generation serving Connecticut, organized pursuant to this legislation, engage the expertise of the state's clean energy fund and relevant stakeholders. We further suggest that such an initiative should specifically include collaboration and coordination with other regional clean energy policymakers and interested stakeholders to identify opportunities to maximize Class I generation regionally.

Sincerely,

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