

Dear Members of the Energy and Technology Committee:

I am writing in support of SB 630 to require that CT utilities continue to increase the amount of energy drawn from renewable resources and to extend the Renewable Portfolio Standard well out into the future, beyond its current deadline of 2020. Climate change is a real threat to us all, to our children and their children, and we need to move forward aggressively toward a renewables based future.

It is also extremely important that the fines for not meeting the targets of the RPS be high enough to encourage the utilities to fully participate and achieve the benchmark goals.

I am writing to ask you not to support SB106 which could allow incentives destined for renewables to go to nuclear facilities. (The Fukushima nuclear reactor has higher levels of radioactivity today than any time since the tsunami in 2011 and will take decades to clean up)

A burgeoning renewable industry will provide badly needed new job opportunities for CT residents.

My family has been using the renewable option on our electric bill for many years. It costs a very small amount more to do so, adding only a small increase to our monthly bill, a commitment we are happy to make.

Sincerely,

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