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Jaclyn A. Brillling, Secretary
New York State Public Service Commission
3 Empire State Plaza
Albany, New York 12223-1350

Re: System Benefit Charge Renewal

Dear Ms. Brillling,

I am submitting this letter to you in support of the NYS Public Service Commission (PSC) System Benefit Charge (SBC) renewal, and of the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) projects that are funded through the SBC.

The activities of the Environmental Monitoring, Evaluation and Protection (EMEP) program are useful in that necessary science relating to mercury, particulate matter, mercury and acid rain are funded and the results are made available to the public. Through this initiative, the state of the environment can be advanced in the region and the public's health can be improved and protected.

As a resident and ratepayer I fully support and encourage continued support of the NYSERDA programs funded through the SBC.

Sincerely,



Laurel Herdman