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October 13, 2005

Case 05—0090 - In the Matter of the System Benefits Charge III

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

Dear Ms. Brillig:

I am writing these comments with great concerns for our consumers. With energy prices so high and winter just around the corner, we can't turn our **backs** now! It is extremely important to our consumers that the Public Service Commission does NOT cut these programs. What we need is to see **an** increase in the funding for the low income programs, and we must include the families who are Natural Gas customers. I urge you to please think of the consumers who depend on these programs!

Sincerely,

**Belinda J. Parent**  
Energy Services Director



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Dear Ms. Brilling:

As the local implementor of several low income programs funded by the Public Service Commission, I see first hand the great work we do helping the working poor. It saddens me to think that these programs might be scaled back. The way energy costs are rising, low income families will be forced to make some very hard choices if we aren't there to help. In my opinion, program funding for residential consumers should be increased. I've heard talk about splitting the available funds 50/50 between residential and commercial consumers, that sounds like a very good idea to me. However you slice it, funding needs to be raised. It is extremely important to our consumers that the Public Service Commission does **NOT** cut these programs. **Thank** you for your time

Sincerely,

Roland Dashnaw  
Empower New York  
Weatherization Network Initiative



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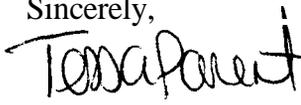
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Dear Ms. Brillling:

I am writing in response to the changing of the Systems Benefits Charge III. We have helped so many low-income families with our programs, that we can't start cutting back now. Cutting back the programs will only hurt those that are in need of our services. What we need is to see an increase in the **funding** for the low income programs, and we should extend the time frame beyond 5 years to give the programs time to evolve and help more individuals. Please do not forget about those that need our help.

Sincerely,  
  
Tessa Parent  
Energy Services Intake Clerk



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Dear Ms. Brillling:

Given the rising energy costs, the idea of cutting any program designed to assist the working poor is at best ludicrous and at worst criminal. Program funding for residential consumers needs to be increased. Splitting the available funds 50/50 between residential and commercial consumers would make for a good start. Available funding needs to be raised over 150 million. It is extremely important to our consumers that the Public Service Commission does **NOT** cut these programs. The fate of the working poor is in your hands.

Sincerely,

Tom Montgomery  
Energy Services  
Energy Auditor

May 2005

Balibar,

Thank you very much for all  
the help you have given for  
me, I believe you went above  
and beyond what you needed  
to do, you made my worries  
less than you + your staff  
again, may you all be  
blessed, I have  
been.

May you always  
be blessed for the  
kind things you do.

Thank you all so  
very much  
Robin Howe