

October 15, 2005

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

Dear NY State Public Service Commission:

My name is Pat Haines, owner of Hudson Sears (DBA: HAINES Appliances) in Hudson, NY. My store participates in several NYSERDA programs promoting ENERGY STAR products. Participating in NYSERDA programs allows my business to benefit from their cooperative advertising and special promotions. It has been brought to my attention that there are state budget issues that could impact the New York State ENERGY STAR Product programs.

Please do the following so that NYSERDA can continue to offer programs to businesses:

1. NYSERDA should be awarded the SBC 3 funds.
2. Extend the SBC 3 funds after June 30, 2006 for five to seven years to ensure program stability.
3. Separate funds between the Residential and Energy Affordability Program (REAP) and the Research & Development (R&D) of NYSERDA. Allow significant funds to be designated to REAP to run programs like the ENERGY STAR Products Program and other New York Energy \$mart<sup>SM</sup> Programs.
4. Push for a creation of SBC charge for natural gas users in New York State to increase NYSERDA's funding for the New York Energy \$mart<sup>SM</sup> Programs.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to consider my requests. I look forward to working w/ NYSERDA in promoting ENERGY STAR Products.

Sincerely,

Pat Haines  
Owner, Haines Appliances, Inc.