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From:

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Subject: NYSERDA's Residential & Energy Affordability Programs (REAP) should be awarded the SBC 3 funds.

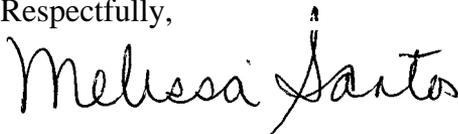
Dear Ms. Billing,

A few years ago my mother purchased an ENERGY STAR air conditioner at a local retailer in the Bronx. She received \$75 back from New York State. This ENERGY STAR air conditioner is the best air conditioner she has ever had. In fact, I had to go buy one for myself a few years later. The sales person at the store explained how the \$75 rebate was made possible. I contribute to the SBC and I'm concerned that if the SBC 3 money is not awarded to NYSERDA that people will not be educated enough to purchase ENERGY STAR products and help save the environment.

My mother and I read the SBC Staff Proposal for the Extension of the SBC and the SBC-Funded Public Benefit Programs. I feel that the PSC should award NYSERDA the SBC 3 funds and extend them after June 30, 2003 for five to seven years. Ensuring funds for a longer length of time would allow for better program planning. The program my mother participated in, Keep Cool was part of the Residential and Energy Affordability Programs (REAP). Please separate funds between REAP and the Research and Development sections of NYSERDA and allocate significant funds to the REAP programs. I have no problem paying into the SBC from my Con Edison bill. The amount is less than one percent and the reduction is unnoticeable. I would like to see an SBC charge placed on natural gas users in New York State. The additional funding could be allocated to NYSERDA's REAP program and would be very beneficial to New York State.

Should you have any questions or comments please contact me directly at 718 518-1741.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Melissa Santos". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Respectfully,".

Melissa Santos