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**To:** DEEP ClimateChange

• To Whom it may concern,

As a concerned citizen in Connecticut, I am writing to urge you to develop a climate policy that will ensure Connecticut reaches its goal of reducing emissions by 80% by 2050, by considering the following recommendations:

- • 1) Connecticut must transition away from fossil fuels to renewable sources of energy like solar. It is essential for the state to authorize shared solar as soon as possible. Shared solar allows residents to access solar power, even if they rent or have shady roofs.
- 2) Connecticut must modernize the electric grid and invest in clean, distributed energy resources.
- 3) Connecticut must electrify the transportation system, which accounts for about 40% of the state's emissions. Zero-emission vehicles, mass transit, and transit-oriented development should be included as key components of the state's comprehensive transportation plan.

We can no longer afford to deny the consequences of our actions or worse, inactions that contribute to climate change. I hope you will take the necessary bold steps to create a cleaner healthier Connecticut for all.

Thanks you for your consideration,

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