



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

PUBLIC UTILITIES REGULATORY AUTHORITY

September 19, 2025

Governor Ned Lamont
State Capitol
Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Governor Lamont,

After deep reflection, I write to tender my resignation as Chair of the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority, effective October 10, 2025. Serving the people of Connecticut in this role has been the honor of my professional life.

During my tenure, PURA led rigorous reviews into the distribution rates of five regulated utilities, leading to rate reductions for three utilities and holding the rate increases for the remaining two to only what was proven as necessary to run the utility franchise. I can confidently say that we fulfilled our statutory mission and held the regulated utilities to a high standard of accountability, particularly following our eight-month investigation into the utilities' restoration efforts in the wake of Tropical Storm Isaias. We also created the Office of Education, Outreach, and Enforcement, which has become a national model for public engagement and is even being replicated in other states and at the federal level. Moreover, affirmation from the courts was a near constant for PURA during my time. We have consistently and repeatedly won when challenged in court – five times at the Supreme Court in fact, with many more decisions upheld by the lower courts and other challenges withdrawn or dismissed. The courts' decisions reaffirmed PURA's authority and the integrity of our regulatory process, despite repeated legal challenges by utility companies.

Additionally, under my leadership the agency completed the initial eleven tracks of PURA's nation-leading Equitable Modern Grid initiative. What started as an ambitious vision for ways to modernize Connecticut's aging electric infrastructure has yielded frameworks and programs recognized as models throughout the country, including an industry-leading Innovative Energy Solutions Program that provides a "sandbox environment" to test emerging technologies and facilitate strategic partnerships with multiple state agencies, universities, and utilities.

None of this would have been possible without the incredible and hard-working team at PURA. With the help of PURA's amazing staff, my fellow commissioners and I have championed an approach that provides rigorous but fair scrutiny to utility rate increase requests and other matters.

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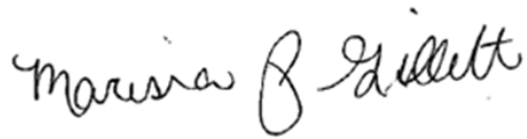
These reforms did not seek headlines; they sought results. I am proud that they will endure.

While I have never shied away from principled disagreement, the escalation of disputes into a cycle of lawsuits and press statements pulls attention and resources away from what matters most: keeping rates just and reasonable, improving service, and planning a resilient, reliable energy future. It has also exacted a real emotional toll both for me personally, as well as my family, and for my team. I did not make this decision lightly, but there is only so much that one individual can reasonably endure, or ask of their family, while doing their best to serve our state.

I am deeply grateful for the opportunities and the people I've met through my work at PURA, and I will do all I can to ensure a smooth transition of my responsibilities. I have every confidence that the staff, whom I admire so greatly, as well as my capable colleagues, will continue to champion the important reforms underway as the result of our work to enhance transparency and accountability for the regulated utilities in this state. The ratepayers of this state, whom I have been so proud to serve, deserve nothing less.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve Connecticut. I leave proud of what we built and optimistic about what comes next.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marissa P. Gillett". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Marissa P. Gillett

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