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Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act

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Dear Honorable Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act members, my wife and I are writing you today to share our concerns with “New York State Climate leadership and community protection act” (S6599 / A8429). We feel that this legislation is misguided and overreaching, and decreases local control; will hurt upstate families, businesses, farms - income and saving, and devastate business development and job stability, in rural communities, and downtown areas, within the New York and beyond.

We and our son combined own and manage three lots of private forest totaling approximately 100 acres, in the township of Salisbury. The “New York State Climate leadership and community protection act” decreases the value of the timber that is on theses land (and others) that can be sold for timber, lumber, firewood, and other uses. Firewood is a “Green” natural renewable low-cost energy source used from the beginning of mankind to cook food, heat dwellings, and its byproducts are used for enriching the soil for food crops, and reforesting. As the forest grows carbon is removed from the earth’s atmosphere and is stored in woodlands, and oxygen is released into the environment.

Byproducts of Solar Panels although promoted as completely safe for the environment is a misrepresentation, the truth is that each solar panel is made of chemical materials such as arsenic and cadmium, in a process that generates countless tons each year of toxics such as Hexafluoride, Sulfur and Silicon Tetrachloride. The disposal of solar system components has been typically highly toxic, and a problem at a significant fiscal cost to electric rate payers, if reclaimed correctly. These toxic byproducts are not only dangerous for the environment, but also for humans and animals (domestic and wild). Wind Energy and Battery Storage, have similar toxics and disposal issues, if not a greater danger to the New York and global environment.

New York State has numerous rivers and streams that can be dammed to construct rainwater (and snow melt) storage lakes, which “Green” electric power generation structures could be built. The byproducts include drinking water reserves, increased property values along the shoreline of these new and expanded reserves / lakes, increased tourists to New York State, etc.

The goal of restoration of the environment is noble, it just has to be accomplished with foresight, and with products, goods and services, manufactured and supplied within New York State, and if required, within the United States of American.

One of the principal objectives seated within the New York State Climate leadership and community protection act, is powering all New York homes, business and cars, with electric power.

To achieve this objective, and comply with this act (law), existing electric power lines within New York will require upgrading, and electric power lines extended to homes and business (on or off the grid), that heat their structures and or power their operations with Wood, Coal, Oil, or Natural Gas.

We are looking to build a year-round residence and work shop at 210 Switzer Road in Salisbury New York 13454. We have contacted National Grid and requested electric power to 210 Switzer Road, (Customer Fulfillment Center- Work Request 29794046). We have been informed one of the conditions to bring electric power to 210 Switzer Road, is that the town road has to be improved so that National Grid’s utility trucks and equipment can travel the roadway freely.

We would appreciate it, if possible, the allocation of State appropriations in 2022 (and beyond if required) to the Town of Salisbury for roadway improvements (from seasonal to year-round) to Switzer Road, in Salisbury New York 13454.

Possible Contacts: Salisbury Town Hall, Post Office Box 241, Salisbury Center, NY 13454, 1-315-429-8581, and Salisbury Town of Highway Garage, 2290 State Route 29, Salisbury Center, NY 13454, 1-315-429-3223,

Respectfully,

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