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RE : Draft Scoping Plan

Dear Council Members,

My name is Michael T. Lavelle III and I live in Frankfort NY. I am writing to inform you of my stance on the proposed Draft Scoping Plan.

Your proposed changes to eliminate natural gas, propane and home heating oil hook ups is short sighted and dangerous. So called green energy is ineffective, unreliable and very costly. I lived in an apartment, 20 years ago when electric was cheaper, and it cost me dearly to heat it.

This area of our state experiences subzero weather, heavy snowfall and 165 days of cloud cover every year. We need a stable, affordable heat source. Electricity for heating comes from burning fossil fuels too. All your plan will do is move the point of production. The increased demand cannot be supported by our electric grid which is aged and not maintained.

The illusion of renewable energy is appealing, its reality isn't. Wind turbine and solar panel manufacturing is very destructive and toxin producing. The batteries for electric cars are another story. None of these products can and are recycled, it's simple to expensive. All of them will wind up in our landfills where they will contaminate the ground water.

If you put these changes into play the outcome will be higher costs to residents and an unreliable power grid. Businesses and people will leave the state at a faster rate the ever before.

Please reconsider these changes. Leave your constituents with a reliable, stable heat source and cars that can go across the state in a timely fashion.

Sincerely,

Michael T. Lavelle III DDS