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**Draft Scoping Plan Comments
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RE: Climate Action Council

To Whom It May Concern:

As a landlord in the City of Buffalo, I agree with the climate initiatives however I have a realistic concern about the timing of the plans. The elimination of the use of natural gas in the timeframes noted are unrealistic. People everywhere rely on the abundant supply, reasonable cost and generally climate friendly nature of natural gas. While we install heat pumps during the renovation of our properties, the backbone of heat pumps is the utilization of natural gas in the boilers to provide the heating or cooling which the heat pumps generate. One other example is our "life safety" systems in our buildings that rely upon generators which utilize natural gas. To convert these systems in the future as well as to install electric only systems will be a true challenge to the electric grid in our state. Most concerning is whether there is enough electric capacity to meet the demand, in effect potentially causing frequent "brown-outs". Without more "clean" electric generating capacity, I sincerely question the timeframes indicated in the current proposal.

Sincerely,



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