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Ms. Kathleen Burgess
Secretary, NYS Public Service Commission
3 Empire State Plaza
Albany, New York 12223

RE: Case 03-E-0188: *Proceeding on Motion of the Commission Regarding a Retail Renewable Portfolio Standard*; Petition of ReEnergy Lyonsdale LLC for Maintenance Tier Award under the Renewable Portfolio Standard

Dear Ms. Burgess:

I am pleased to submit comments in support of the petition filed recently by ReEnergy Lyonsdale.

I serve as a member of the Lewis County Board of Legislators. I also am the proprietor of Dolhof TrueValue, which is proud to serve the many towns and villages in the Lewis County region of New York, including Lyons Falls, Greig, Lyonsdale, Turin, West Turin, Leyden, Martinsburg, Port Leyden, Boonville, Lowville, Turin, Constableville, Brantingham Lake and the Old Forge area.

My store carries a full range of hardware, lumber, building materials, steel roofing, wood pellets, sporting goods, hunting and fishing licenses, paint, stain, sikkens stain, welding supplies, plumbing supplies, electrical supplies, automotive, and lawn and garden supplies.

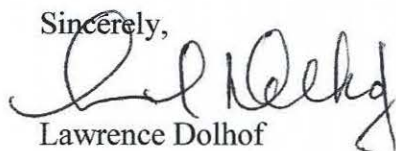
My store provides goods to the ReEnergy Lyonsdale biomass facility, and also sells merchandise to the loggers and haulers who supply the facility. The Lyonsdale facility has been a critical part of the Lewis County community since it opened in 1992. The facility generates renewable electricity using sustainably harvested local forest resources, contributing significantly to the economy while also reducing our reliance on imported fossil fuels.

The Lyonsdale facility is a positive corporate citizen. Most importantly, it supports more than 100 local jobs, both inside the plant and indirectly through its vendor and supplier agreements. It supports additional jobs through its agreement to supply steam to Burrows Paper. This is a significant number of jobs for our region.

I urge the Commission to approve of the petition and award a new contract to the ReEnergy Lyonsdale facility to sell renewable energy credits. A contract to sell RECs at a sufficient price is necessary for the facility to be financially viable.

Thank you very much for considering my views.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lawrence Dolhof". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L".

Lawrence Dolhof