



Re: Net Metering Cap

Dear Chairman Brown,

GreenLogic Energy is one of the largest renewable energy integrators in NY. We employ over 50 full time employees providing solar, wind and geothermal solutions to residential, commercial, industrial and municipal clients. *We are a fast growing company* having been ranked 2 years in a row in Inc magazine's annual ranking of the 500 fastest growing companies in the US, and ranked as the 18th fastest growing energy company in the US. GreenLogic views the expansion of the cap on net metering systems to be a critical element to permit the company to continue its growth and its ability to provide job growth at this critical time.

GreenLogic Energy is a member of NYSEIA and the Alliance for Clean Energy New York and sits on the board as well. The Alliance for Clean Energy New York (ACE NY) is a unique blend of energy industry and environmental interests working together to promote clean energy, energy efficiency, a healthy environment and a strong economy for New York State. Our diverse membership includes renewable energy and energy efficiency companies, environmental and economic development organizations, academic institutions, and consultants to the energy sector. ACE NY supports net metering for clean, on site power generation using renewable resources. We have worked on both legislation and Commission proceedings on net metering for many years.

We are submitting these comments to show our support of the petition filed by Hudson Valley Clean Energy, which requests that the Commission act expeditiously to order Central Hudson to raise the cap on the amount of net metered systems allowed to interconnect to its electric grid. We also request that the Commission act to ensure continuity for customers and installers in *every* utility territory and to prevent the halting of interconnections in the future through periodic reviews and increases in utility caps on net metered systems. This is especially important given the State's recent adoption of a program (NY-Sun) to increase the amount of solar energy systems installed in New York through 2016.

Central Hudson recently notified renewable energy system installers and customers in its service territory that it would no longer provide net metering since it has reached its cap of 12 MW (1% of its 2005 demand). If Central Hudson is to cease net metering it will have an immediate negative impact on our business in New York and our ability to sell solar systems. Our business relies on a continuous stream of projects, and a market disruption of this extent will be very difficult to overcome.

As a small business installing solar in New York, net metering is critical to the continued success of our business. Net metering is a simple, easily administered method of encouraging investment in solar technologies. Without net metering, our ability to sell solar systems is severely reduced.



Central Hudson has the discretion to continue offering net metering past the 12 MW cap. Additionally, Public Service Law authorizes the Commission to increase the ceiling on the total megawatts eligible for net metering from cumulative installations if the Commission determines that additional net metering is in the public interest. GreenLogic Energy urges the Commission to act expeditiously to ensure *continued* availability of net metering within Central Hudson's territory. In addition, net metering caps for each utility should be raised significantly enough to cover the expected installations under the NY-Sun program. Continued increases in the use of solar generation benefits the public at large, helps consumers lower their electric bills and allows our business to continue to grow and add jobs.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marc Clejan", written in a cursive style.

Marc Clejan

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GreenLogic Energy

Cc: Ace-NY, HVCE