Paul DeCotis

Energy Planning Board

Energy Plan Comments

NYSERDA

12 Columbus Circle

Albany, NY 12204-6399

November 21, 2008

My name is Ruby Garzon, one of the middle class that lives here in long Island New York. I am writing to you in reference to energy efficiency and conversation- the cheapest, cleanest energy is the energy never used. Unleash New York's renewable energy potential from biomass; hydro, geothermal, solar and wind- New York's natural resources should be maximized responsibly to generate clean energy and local jobs. Lastly, Local energy for local demand- long distance transmission can result in up to 15% energy loss which means that the shorter the distance electricity travels, the more energy is delivered to consumers. The New York State Energy plan should encourage energy to be produced in proximity to demand.

Please invest in energy efficiency, energy conservation, and clean, non-polluting renewable energy. The Long Island Power Authority should proactively explore offshore wind and large scale solar projects. If we invest to this, we will be able to create jobs to a lot of people who are in need of it and at the same time we will be able to increase energy efficiency.

LIPA needs to set us free from the costly, damaging addiction to fossil fuels which are causing our rates to sky rocket. We, Long islanders are ON the front lines of experiencing the devastating effects of climate change including increased flooding, sea level rise and intensified storm events.

Long Island needs offshore wind as a part of our energy mix, not more than promises to "look into it". LI also needs substantial, large scale solar projects which will help us meet summer peak demand.

Sir, please respond to my writing, let me know your position regarding this matters.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruby Garzon BSN, RN

222 Peters Avenue

East Meadow, New York 11554