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The Honorable Michael Vose  
Chair, House Committee on Science, Technology and Energy  
302-304 Legislative Office Building  
Concord, NH 03301

Re: House Bill 219

Chairman Vose and Honorable Members of the House Committee on Science, Technology and Energy,

I am writing on behalf of the Select Board of the Town of Peterborough in opposition to House Bill 219. Renewable Energy Credit (REC) sales have been the backbone of the grants that many of the renewable energy projects that Peterborough, as well as other municipalities, have relied on to make renewable energy projects affordable. These projects, including our five biomass boilers and 1.1 megawatt solar array, not only have satisfied our community's renewable energy initiatives, but did so in a way that has saved taxpayer dollars at the time of purchase and in the long run through avoided energy purchasing and ongoing revenue from the sale of the RECs. These projects have also had a benefit on our local economy, from the supply and maintenance contracts we have on the systems, to the local manufacturing of the biomass we consume.

In short, the Renewable Energy Credit program has not only saved taxpayers dollars for the installation of new energy systems, but it has also supported the development of a vibrant, new energy sector based here in New Hampshire. We hope that you will join us in opposition to this bill.

Sincerely,

Nicole MacStay, Town Administrator  
On behalf of the Peterborough Select Board