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**Sent:** Thursday, July 09, 2015 1:06 PM  
**To:** DEEP ClimateChange  
**Subject:** Urge greater steps to reduce greenhouse gas emissions

Dear Governor Malloy,

I urge you to continue to support forceful steps to reach the goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 80% by 2050.

Connecticut must move aggressively from fossil fuels to renewable sources of energy like solar. Over a year ago I put solar panels on my roof incentivized in part by the rebate provided by CEFIA. However, it is essential for the state to authorize shared solar as soon as possible since 85% of CT homes are not suitable for rooftop solar like mine. Shared solar allows residents to access solar power, even if they rent or have shady roofs. It was gratifying that Public Act No. 15-113 passed in the 2015 legislative session but this step is only a beginning.

The state must continue to support the electrification of its transportation system, which accounts for about 40% of the state's emissions. Zero-emission vehicles, mass transit, and transit-oriented development should be included as key components of the state's expanding comprehensive transportation plan. I was disappointed that H.B. 7009, "An Act concerning electric and zero-emission vehicles," did not pass in the 2015 session.

Last, Connecticut must modernize the electric grid and invest in clean, distributed energy resources.

Sincerely yours,

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