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Dear Sirs,

I appreciate the critical discussion of Connecticut's energy future at the September 8 GC3 meeting. I was able to watch some of it on the internet. I wish, though, the minutes and/or video could have been published before the deadline for these public comments.

It is clear the parameters for what must be done are in place. All that remains is political will. This begins with revising the Comprehensive Energy Strategy (CES) in upcoming weeks. The metrics show clearly that the current policy and implementing legislation, with its over reliance on, and subsidizing of, piped in methane, cannot even come close to bringing our state to our GHG reduction goals that are mandated by law. Let's come to grip with the cognitive dissonance occurring here and take the bull by the horns. Efficiency, renewables, electric heating and EVs must all be incentivized (at least to the extent that methane has been) in a revised CES.

I must say I was disappointed by what appeared to be an inappropriate and unconstructive comment from Commissioner Dykes during the proceedings (I needed the minutes to confirm this). She proclaimed, enigmatically, "This is going to cost jobs" in the midst of a discussion on renewables and/or EVs-presumably in reference to any effort to deal with the GHG mandate. Why would the host of the meeting and the second in command at

DEEP being making this kind of unproductive comment at a gathering like this? Is this attitude her own or that of the DEEP agency as a whole? The job loss question is very debatable, but regardless, the sentiment seemed out of place and really lacking-in someone who, at least, should be earnestly grappling with the serious and worsening problem of global warming. I hope an adjustment in outlook can be made for the CES review.

Best Regards,
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