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Subject: [EXTERNAL] IEP Feedback

Dear New Jersey Board of Public Utilities,

New Jersey can and should be a global leader in addressing our climate emergency. Instead, I am alarmed by the findings presented in the Integrated Energy Plan. I respectfully implore you to take all steps to address these critical structural deficiencies before finalizing the IEP and EMP. Improvements to the IEP should include:

- any modeling scenarios that cut NJ's emissions 45% before 2030 as recommended by IPCC 2018 report
- modeling for a goal of carbon-free energy for New Jersey
- modeling for immediate moratorium on any new fossil fuel infrastructure
- front loading emission reductions to have the most significant impact on our climate emergency
- accurately estimating the global warming potential of short-lived climate pollutants like methane and black carbon
- counting social costs of continued reliance and use of fossil fuels
- flexibility to use the best of some plans now and others later
- valuing meaningful public input
- consideration of potential impact of future regulatory and technological changes
- any mechanisms or recommendations of how to decrease fossil fuel use

My sincere appreciation for your efforts, I know this is no small or easy undertaking. However, it is absolutely essential that the IEP account for future climate scenarios and model alternative pathways for full decarbonization of our State's energy system--including a carbon-free scenario. It is the best interest of NJ state residents, as well as our neighboring states, to incorporate the aforementioned changes and mitigate future risks. Without them, we likely forego opportunities to attract greater investment, protect our health and increase resilience.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best Regards,

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