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Sean R. Cronin
Senior Deputy Commissioner of Local Services
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Dear Mr. Cronin,

As you are aware, the Town of Monson chose the Energy and Environment best practice as part of our application under the Community Compact Program. The Town partnered with our Department of Energy Resources (DOER) representative to find ways in which we could reach our goal of a 20% energy reduction. Via this partnership with DOER we were introduced to the staff at the UMass Clean Energy Extension and we have worked together on several different projects.

Much of the assistance from DOER and UMass came in the form of benchmarking and data analysis which was vital in helping the Town find areas of inefficiency in our energy usage. We were able to find errors in our data which skewed our projected outcomes. From there we identified the areas of highest concern and turned that into a Green Communities Grant award for roughly $233,000.00.

The Town is now undertaking another project with UMass to assess our Water and Sewer Infrastructure in terms of energy reduction.

Thank you,

Evan Brássard
Town Administrator