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Mr. John Wassam
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Re: RPS Rulemaking & Phase 2 Biomass Changes

Mr. Wassam,

How are we ever going to reduce Massachusetts' greenhouse gas emissions if our state government continues to promote and subsidize biomass energy?

These proposed changes to the RPS regulations only encourage more biomass pollution and emissions when we need to be drastically reducing them!

Massachusetts' energy policy is a complete contradiction. On the one hand we have the Global Warming Solutions Act, major efforts in home energy conservation, promotion of solar energy and electric cars while at the same time subsidizing polluting biomass plants, allowing new natural gas infrastructure and relentlessly cutting our forests that we need as a carbon sink.

Something is very wrong here!!

The Baker Administration needs to make a serious commitment to cutting emissions and stop allowing stakeholders to influence policy. Time is running out!

Make no changes to the RPS.

Respectfully,
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