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I object to any regulation change that lowers the efficiency required to qualify for RPS subsidies for burning biomass of all forms in all generating plants in New England. Most wood burning plants in New England will immediately qualify for clean energy certificates that would be paid for by Massachusetts rate payers according to your change. Even plants in New Hampshire and Maine would be getting subsidies that are intended to encourage true clean energy generation such as solar and wind and NOT to subsidize old dirty wood burning plants that cannot be profitable without government assistance. Burning biomass is worse than burning fossil fuels whether its old wood or newly harvested. BURNING equals the release of carbon dioxide (CO2) which is one part carbon and two parts oxygen no matter the fuel; remember? Stop using the subsidies I pay for supporting alternative non-CO2 energy for the opposite intention of burning biomass!

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