More than 50 environmental, public health, and civic organizations support the 100% Renewable Energy Act

Senator Michael J. Barrett Chair, Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy Massachusetts General Court

Representative Thomas A. Golden, Jr. Chair, Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy Massachusetts General Court

July 23, 2019

Dear state officials,

As environmental, public health, and civic organizations, we support the 100% Renewable Energy Act (H.2836, S.1958).

Fossil fuels are polluting our air and water, harming our health, and changing our climate in dangerous ways.

We can envision a future where all of the energy to power our homes, our businesses, our institutions, and our transportation system comes from clean, renewable sources like solar and wind. When we achieve 100% renewable energy, our air will be cleaner and we'll help prevent the worst impacts of climate change. Increasing our reliance on local sources of clean energy will also help us build stronger, more resilient communities.

The 100% Renewable Energy Act will power Massachusetts with 100% renewable electricity by 2035 and transition heating and transportation to 100% renewable energy sources by 2045, while ensuring that the communities that have been most impacted by fossil fuel pollution benefit from the shift to renewable energy.

Please support this critical legislation to protect our health, our climate, and our children's future.

Sincerely,

[See attached.]

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350 Mass for a Better Future

Berkshire Environmental Action Team

BlueHub Capital

Boston Clean Energy Coalition

Canton Residents for a Sustainable, Equitable Future

Cape Downwinders

Center for Sustainable Energy

Citizens Against the Rehoboth Compressor Station

Citizens Awareness Network

Clean Water Action

Climate Action Business Association

Climate Action Now, Western Mass

Commonwealth Green Low-Income Housing Coalition

Dismas House

E2, New England Chapter

Environment Massachusetts

Environmental League of Massachusetts

Faith Science Alliance for Climate Leadership

Fore River Residents Against the Compressor Station

Franklin County Continuing the Political Revolution

Greater Boston Physicians for Social Responsibility

Green Committee, Neighborhood Association of the Back Bay (NABB)

Green Newton

Health Care Without Harm

League of Women Voters Massachusetts

Leverett Climate Action Group

Longmeadow Pipeline Awareness Group

Massachusetts Chapter of the American Institute of Architects

Massachusetts Climate Action Network

Massachusetts Sierra Club

Massachusetts Solar Owners Association

MassDivest Coalition

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Mothers Out Front

Nashoba Conservation Trust

Neighbor to Neighbor

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North Quabbin Energy

Partnership for Policy Integrity

Progressive Democrats of Massachusetts

Progressive Massachusetts

Renewable Energy Worcester

SAFE (Salem Alliance for the Environment)

Seaside Sustainability

SEBANE (Solar Energy Business Association of New England)

Soil4Climate

Southcoast Energy Challenge

StopNED

Sunrise Boston

Sustainable Middleborough

The Climate Action Team of First Parish UU in Lexington

Toxics Action Center Campaigns

U.S. Green Building Council - Massachusetts Chapter

Unitarian Universalist Mass Action

Vineyard Power

Westside Pipeline Awareness Group