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Luly Massaro - Fwd: Deepwater Wind Farm

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Ms. Kent: Please find pasted below a letter regarding the Deepwater Wind Farm.

I have sent this letter to various state Sens./Reps. and the governors office.

If possible, could this letter(or specific questions) be presented as public comments during the ongoing hearings.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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I have a question regarding the Deepwater wind farm project.

The final project will provide only 15% of our states electric supply. Why will National Grid be allowed to raise prices for all consumers when the price of only 15% of the source electricity will be purchased at a higher rate?

While I do understand the rates for this wind farm energy will go up

a certain amount each year, I still cannot see how all consumer rates will go up? Another question is regarding the timetable of these increases, to the best of my knowledge the rates will go up long before the second phase is complete and while the first phase is in operation? (an even smaller % of total supply that will mostly be consumed by Block Island)

I have read news items that part of the increase will be to cover the cost of building the transmission line. Here again I find it hard to believe, though it has become common practice, that the consumer absorbs the cost of infrastructure additions. National Grid and Deepwater will be making money from this line long after the citizens of RI have paid for it, and, most likely still be paying the same high rates.

Considering the state of our economy, and how much of the problem originates from corporations, we are still being taken to the cleaners by corporate America. When will we take action to stop this sanctioned fleecing of our nation?

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