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To: Secretary, BPUBoard (BPU)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] To Aida Camacho

To whom it may concern,

My name is Brian Lane with DelVal Solar of Cinnaminson. I am writing this letter in response to the successor program, which I like to call the Progressive Renewable Energy Certificates (PRECs). My thoughts on your proposal to reduce the TRECs down to the levels you proposed is preposterous. It will kill our company and companies like mine. We do exclusively agrivoltaic systems which do cost higher than most because of our high elevations for the bifacial modules we use overtop of the greenhouses and types of farming that can be grown underneath. Our systems will protect the farms and farmers in New Jersey from having to sell out to Developers, since it costs so much here in New Jersey and its easier and more financially better to sell out. I've spent years developing and proving the system to be more beneficial to the farmers and farm to stay open and farming. This is so much better for the environment and the climate than not. Plus we are introducing bee and butterfly pollinators to our systems which are native to New Jersey and are in desperate need of help before becoming extinct which is an environmental Disaster.

I used to be a Boilermaker working on powerplants, such as, coal burners, oil burners, trash to steam plants, nuclear plants. And I can tell you that Solar Generation is by far cheaper to produce the power than traditional plants. Just in the costs of maintenance and in fuels for the traditional production versus the low low costs to produce electric with solar will keep the costs to the rate payer down. Plus, by the time the state gets to its 100% in 2050 renewables goal the price to rate payers for electric will have gone down considerably due to low costs of solar even with the incentives being as they are now in TRECs program. But by cutting the TRECs incentives will only limit the amount of private investor monies to were we won't be able to come close to thee states goals. Also, with the costs of goods going way up due to lack of materials I n the US, It will be hard to get any type of system built without going up in todays pricing. It is not the time to lower thee incentives right now with us starting to get out of the pandemic. Maybe relook at this in a couple years, but NOT NOW.

Thank You for your time,
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