

Whitney, Judith

From: Eesha Williams <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 11:45 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I pay your salaries with my taxes. Vermont electric bills are lower than the national average right now, thanks to our efficiency programs.

Reduced energy use also reduces the need for electric line upgrades and expensive power at certain times of the year--which saves the state money.

Reduced energy use is good for the environment--the cleanest energy is the energy we don't use. We should be increasing efficiency budgets--not decreasing them.

Sincerely,

Eesha Williams
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Whitney, Judith

From: Lev Camara <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 11:45 AM
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Vermont Public Service Board

In this day and age we should definitely be doing everything we can to support the health of our environment. Reducing energy is good for all life forms. Because of this I stand firmly behind any budgeting for increasing energy efficiency and ask that the Public Service Board do the same.

Thank you.

Lev

Sincerely,

Lev Camara
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Whitney, Judith

From: Thomas Nostrand <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 11:45 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
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Vermont Public Service Board

Please don't reduce the budget around the efficiency programs that have worked so well for our state.

With Kind Regards,
Thomas Nostrand

Sincerely,

Thomas Nostrand
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tjn@nrgsystems.com

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From: David "Scott" Bernoudy <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 11:45 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

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Vermont Public Service Board

I completely agree with the VPIRG position that we should be increasing our energy efficiency spending, especially where can be targeted toward lower income households who have more to gain from every dollar saved. Please do not borrow from our future by reducing our investments today.

Sincerely,

David "Scott" Bernoudy
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From: Dennis Casey <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 11:45 AM
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Vermont Public Service Board

Hi. We are in the process of building a new home. We have been studying the different options for saving on utility costs. Efficiency Vermont has been EXTREMELY helpful as we do our research. Please continue to support and expand the efforts and resources for all Vermonters to understand and invest in energy efficiency. Vermont can lead the way in reducing our carbon footprint, but also needs your help to make sure that those resources remain available.

Dennis Casey
Waterford, Vermont

Sincerely,

Dennis Casey
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(802) 751-9016
dcasey@caseyeap.com

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From: Lance Polya <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 11:45 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I hope you increase Vermont's efficiency technology budgets--not decreasing them.

Sincerely,

Lance Polya
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Whitney, Judith

From: William White <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 11:45 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
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Vermont Public Service Board

Please don't reduce support for energy efficiency.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Kevin Smith <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 11:45 AM
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Vermont Public Service Board

Good Christ, when the world is rid of republiKKKlans it will smell so much better. SOLAR AND WIND. They are our saviors. When I see the turbines on the mountain crests I rejoice because we are saving the earth, saving ourselves, and getting electricity from the goodness of the planet. The same with our star.

If only more politicians had courage and voters had brains.

Sincerely,

Kevin Smith
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From: John Emerson <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 11:45 AM
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Vermont Public Service Board

Please provide the funds needed to support energy efficiency programs. These programs have been working and they have saved Vermonters money in the long run. Investing in energy efficiency is a wise investment and is cost-effective in the long run.

Thank you.

John Emerson
Middlebury, VT

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Sean Willerford <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 11:45 AM
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I work for a commercial energy efficiency firm, and have seen firsthand the beneficial effects of efficiency programs. They save money and energy use for individuals, businesses, and the government - they are the ultimate anti-waste programs. In addition to simply saving energy, efficiency upgrades reduce the need to build more energy generation installations, upgrade transmission lines, etc. These programs pay for themselves many times over to all parties involved, as proven by Vermont's relatively low electric bills and the 13% average usage reduction that we've already achieved here.

Waste and money aside, efficiency technologies are the greenest options (among many) for tackling climate change. After all, the greenest energy is the energy you don't use!

Please keep our efficiency programs running, and consider increasing their budgets. The Scott administration contends that we can't afford to keep these programs - in fact, we can't afford NOT to!

Sincerely,

Sean Willerford
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swillerford@icloud.com

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From: Erik Nielsen <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 11:45 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
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Vermont Public Service Board

Dear folks at the PSB,
Our energy efficiency programs make a big difference. We had our house weatherized a few years ago via Efficiency Vermont, and it has saved us a great deal on our energy bills. These programs need to be expanded, not contracted.

Sincerely,

Erik Nielsen
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erik@eriknielsenmusic.com

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From: Tracy Titchner <bounce@convio.net>
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Vermont Public Service Board

A few years ago, we were able to replace an old refrigerator with the help of a grant from Efficiency Vermont. The substantial decrease in our electric bill inspired us to replace multiple light bulbs and install a clothesline. Within six months, we had decreased our monthly electric bill by nearly one third. Please do not cut this important program.

Sincerely,

Tracy Titchner
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(802) 879-7343
tracy@jimlawson.org

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From: David Hartnett <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 11:45 AM
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Vermont Public Service Board

Let's not be penny-wise & pound-foolish.

Respectfully Submitted,
David Hartnett

Sincerely,

David Hartnett
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(802) 223-5129
davidhartnett@mac.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Matthew Burke <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 11:45 AM
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Vermont Public Service Board

By reducing our energy use, we reduce the need for new generation and fossil fuel imports. In the global north, we have a moral imperative to reduce our overall energy use, and this reduction will help our most vulnerable Vermonters as well.

Sincerely,

Matthew Burke
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(802) 425-5610
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From: Elise Marks <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 11:45 AM
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Sincerely,

Elise Marks
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Burlington, VT 05408-1928
(802) 951-5933
elise_create@yahoo.com

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From: Louis Cox <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 11:45 AM
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Vermont Public Service Board

A kilowatt saved is a kilowatt that doesn't harm the environment.

Sincerely,

Louis Cox
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Charlotte, VT 05445-9168
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jlouiscox@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Jeffrey and Cathy Phillips <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
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Vermont Public Service Board

Conserving energy makes so much sense economically, to conserve finite natural resources and to prevent greenhouse gases from exacerbating climate change. Please continue your support of Efficiency VT. Our future depends on it!

Sincerely,

Jeffrey and Cathy Phillips
232 Spinnaker Ln
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(802) 985-8524
jeffmphilips@me.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Manny Mansbach <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
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Vermont Public Service Board

Please continue to support and grow energy efficiency programs. By reducing energy use we avoid spending money on new sources of energy and having to purchase expensive power at peak times. Using less energy is what is best not only for the environment, but also for Vermont ratepayers. Let's keep our electric bills lower than most states bills by maintaining and increasing our commitment to energy efficiency.

Sincerely,

Manny Mansbach
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Athens, VT 05143-8578
satisukha@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Linda Sturgeon <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
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Vermont Public Service Board

Our home energy use has gotten much more frugal, thanks to energy audits and weatherization advice from Efficiency Vermont. And as technology has improved, we have gone back after 10 years to find more ways to tighten up our house, and be more comfortable in the winter.

Our state needs Efficiency Vermont-it is recognized nationwide as an outstanding program.

Sincerely,

Linda Sturgeon
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Putney, VT 05346-8812
endless@sover.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Jesse Naumann <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
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Vermont Public Service Board

This is the time to increase commitment to energy efficiency measures, not cut funding. It saves money in the short term and long term. Please consider doing the right thing not just what is expedient.

Jesse Naumann

Sincerely,

Jesse Naumann
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Richmond, VT 05477-4400
(802) 434-5006
tnaumann@uvm.edu

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From: Martha Manheim <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:15 PM
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Vermont Public Service Board

Dear Governor Scott: I know your effort is to control taxes, and I think of you as an enlightened Republican leader of our state. But decreasing support for efficiency in the use of power is not enlightened, because all the evidence suggests that greater efficiency reduces costs and decay of the environment. I believe this because Efficiency Vermont helped me weatherize my 1807 house, and I have been saving money and feeling warmer in the winter. I am a widow on a modest pension and could not have done it without that help. Don't just respond to the Republican mantra of lowering taxes; you are better than that. If there is anything we need right now, it is enlightened Republicans, a Vermont product I admire, as I am prepared to admire you.

Sincerely,

Martha Manheim
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manheimm@aol.com

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From: Caroline Edmunds <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:15 PM
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Vermont Public Service Board

I am firmly committed to the goals of VIPRG and have been since its inception. We need more of their focus in this state and the wise ways they help our community to understand energy issues as well as to save money. This is NOT a place to cut funding. Thank you

Sincerely,

Caroline Edmunds
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South Burlington, VT 05403-9201
w_edmunds007@comcast.net

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From: Sandra Short <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Can you tell me which is best to heat the home - environmentally, price-wise and efficiency-wise -propane or VT Gas?
Thank you.

P.S. Keep up your good work!

Sincerely,

Sandra Short
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Burlington, VT 05401-5458
(802) 865-4842
sandy_short@comcast.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Claire Adams <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
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Vermont Public Service Board

Dear Public Service Board,

Imagine an investment that reaps financial rewards for Vermonters - allowing them to live in their family homes with more money in their pockets to spend on food and consumer goods; for the State with savings on infrastructure needs; and for our future selves with leaving a cleaner environment - meaning fewer health problems and fewer devastating weather events. Isn't that an investment worth keeping?

Efficiency outlays are the smartest investments we can make for ourselves - please increase rather than decrease these investments!

Sincerely,

Claire Adams
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(802) 388-6449
cadams@middlebury.edu

Whitney, Judith

From: John Berlenbach <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Please use your power to increase the sources of efficient, clean energy sources in Vermont.

Sincerely,

John Berlenbach
1961 Plains Rd
Perkinsville, VT 05151-9460
(802) 265-9345
johnfarm@tds.net

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Sincerely,

Sandra Short
80 Austin Dr Apt 12
Burlington, VT 05401-5458
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From: Samuel Guarnaccia <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:45 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
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Vermont Public Service Board

Thank you for doing the right thing.....for using EVERY tool to transform the 'energy economy'.

Sincerely,

Samuel Guarnaccia
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13 Mill St.,
Middlebury, VT 05753-0203
(802) 734-1356
sam.guarnaccia@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Marcia Gustafson <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:45 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: So important to maintain or increase efficiency budgets

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

In Vermont, we have been making great progress in increasing energy efficiency, and in so doing, the average use of electricity has decreased thus saving money for customers and creating net savings for the state.

Efficiency Vermont is one example of a critical resource that helps continue this positive trend of assisting Vermonters to reduce their energy use. It would be short sighted to reduce funds for this program as well as for the other efficiency programs.

Please ensure that the efficiency budgets for the next three-year cycle are not cut but at least maintained and at best increased.

Sincerely,

Marcia Gustafson
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Burlington, VT 05401-5803
(802) 864-5908
marciagus@earthlink.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Neal Smith <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:45 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
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Vermont Public Service Board

Conservation & Efficiency work. Period. Incentives and consultations make it happen. It's the VT way.

Sincerely,

Neal Smith
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nsmithvt@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Louise Frazier <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:45 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

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Vermont Public Service Board

Please use more energy efficiency from here on----no reductions in this, please!

Sincerely,

Louise Frazier
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East Montpelier, VT 05651-4192
(802) 229-6085
louisevfrazier@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Nancy Osgood <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:45 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

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Vermont Public Service Board

Please support increasing the budgets for the three energy efficiency utilities in the state. Reducing them in any way would be a huge step backwards, for it would increase the demand for electricity, contribute to the degradation of the environment and hasten climate change.

Sincerely,

Nancy Osgood
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Norwich, VT 05055-9611
(802) 649-3416
nancy.p.osgood@valley.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Jonathan Kinnersley <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:45 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

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Vermont Public Service Board

I like Vermont because it's people care about the land and each other.

One of the best ways to show that we care, both for the land and our neighbors, is to make the best use of our resources as possible. This means that we use our energy efficiently, another trait that Vermonters are proud of.

So, please uphold the values dear to Vermont and use our money wisely, to help us use our energy efficiently.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Kinnersley
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(802) 257-2674
jskinnersley@hotmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: David Allen <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:45 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

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Vermont Public Service Board

We need to expand our energy efficiency efforts more than ever. Our Maple season now begins in February (or January). We literally have to be ready a month earlier, and climate change is the most likely cause. Efficiency Vermont has been a valuable partner in the Maple industry, let's keep going forward.

Sincerely,

David Allen
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Charlotte, VT 05445-9349
mansfield@gmavt.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Stephanie Solt <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 1:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

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Vermont Public Service Board

It doesn't make sense to reduce the funding of energy efficiency when it's been proven that saving energy is good for the environment and our pocketbook in the long run!! The more we reduce our energy consumption the better off we all are. Please reconsider and increase rather than decrease funding for the energy budget!!

Sincerely,

Stephanie Solt
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Burlington, VT 05408-1921
(802) 735-3070
trillium@burlingtontelecom.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Jeremy Wallis <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 1:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

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Vermont Public Service Board

Energy efficiency programs are money well spent that provide monetary and environmental benefits to all Vermonters.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Wallis
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Norwich, VT 05055-9407
jeremyw2k@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Nancy Wright <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 1:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

We should be moving forward, not backwards!

Sincerely,

Nancy Wright
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ngwright@valley.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Sarah Ingersoll <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 1:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

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Vermont Public Service Board

Please continue to fund energy efficiency programs to save the state money and support efforts to keep our environment as clean as possible.

We need to INCREASE funding for such programs NOT decrease it!

Sincerely,

Sarah Ingersoll
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Middlebury, VT 05753-8638
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Whitney, Judith

From: Alex Brown <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 1:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I received help with weatherization from Efficiency Vermont and now my fuel oil heating costs have been reduced. Everything we do to improve energy efficiency pays immediate and long-lasting dividends.

The best way to insure our state's energy future is to reduce the amount of energy we need. Please make a budget recommendation to maintain or increase the funding for Efficiency Vermont.

Sincerely,

Alex Brown
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East Montpelier, VT 05651-4250
(802) 223-0430
alex@printmark.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Sas Carey <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 1:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Please consider increasing efficiency budgets. Let Vermont lead the nation in this common sense area.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Sas Carey
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Middlebury, VT 05753-8517
sas@nomadicare.org

Whitney, Judith

From: Carl G Martin <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 1:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
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Vermont Public Service Board

We weatherized our house through Efficiency VT, and our energy bills, and use of firewood, have dropped significantly. My retired mother recently did the same with her old Brookfield farmhouse, with even more drastic results.

Radical reduction of energy use, and not only replacing the worst types of energy, is the central step to tackling the inter-related supply and pollution problems that we face. To propose cutting funding to these state mechanisms (on behalf of "efficiency" or "savings"?) is to ignore the power of the public to aggregate money in a way that helps all Vermont citizens and our environment, locally and globally.

Any resistance to these programs within state government is a cynical sleight-of-hand, privileging a few dollars in reduced taxes over the hundreds paid annually to oil/gas companies and Green Mountain Power for wasted energy. Some things cannot be accomplished through the so-called "free market" and consumer "choice."

Sincerely,

Carl G Martin
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Montpelier, VT 05602-3125
(802) 225-6387
carlgmartin@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Margaret Howland <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 1:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
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Vermont Public Service Board

Dear Gov Scott:

I propose that you increase the efficiency budget, not decrease it.

At our house, we are doing all we can to save Vermont energy resources.

Please do all you can too.

Sincerely,

Margaret Howland
311 Chester Knoll Dr
Bennington, VT 05201-2267
(802) 681-7555
howlanma@yahoo.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Jennifer Holan <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 1:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Don't Discourage Efficiency

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

We can't save the world without help from our children. The most important lesson we can pass on to them, by information and by our example, is the need to use our resources wisely and sparingly. Energy efficiency has to be maximized in addition to any effort to find and generate from all safe sources available. Whatever our power sources, we need to budget for a continued challenge to "demand" and use less electricity than we do now. This is one budget we can't afford to cut.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Holan
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(802) 387-5795
athpar@sover.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Mary Eldredge <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 1:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

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Vermont Public Service Board

We should be increasing efficiency budgets, not decreasing them.
Efficiency saves everyone money, including the State. The energy you don't use is definitely the cheapest, and also the cleanest.

Sincerely,

Mary Eldredge
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Springfield, VT 05156-9343
(802) 885-8405
meldredge@vermontel.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Millard Hall <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 1:15 PM
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DO IT.

Sincerely,

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(802) 472-8278
mwhall2@hotmail.com

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From: Margaret Howland <bounce@convio.net>
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Whitney, Judith

From: Irwin Post <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 1:45 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Support Energy Efficiency

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

As an engineer who has consulted on and built many energy-efficient buildings, I think it is essential to maintain support for programs that focus on energy efficiency. I have used the services of Efficiency Vermont and have found them to be very helpful.

As our climate changes, it is imperative that we keep seeking ways to decrease our fossil fuel emissions and our draw upon the electric system. Energy efficiency makes sense: we save money on electric rates and fuel, and we keep from having to buy expensive peak power and to make upgrades in infrastructure. Energy -efficient buildings are also more comfortable.

Efficiency Vermont is working! It provides a centralized system for people to access savings. I ask that you continue to maintain, or even increase, your support of it.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Bonnie Acker <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 1:45 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Public Service Board representatives:

Please consider **INCREASING** funds for energy-efficiency programs instead of decreasing them!

So many Vermonters are showing that they are interested in -- and committed to -- efforts to save energy wherever and whenever possible.

And you -- as Board members -- can support this interest and commitment!

I love living here in Vermont where there are so many environmentally-sound programs and projects. Please do all you can to help everyone -- individuals, organizations, businesses -- reduce their energy-usage!

Sincerely yours,
Bonnie Acker and John Davis
Burlington residents for 30 years

Sincerely,

Bonnie Acker
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Whitney, Judith

From: Carol Langstaff <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 2:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Please focus on reducing our energy usage and all the systems that are here to help this! Help us to be more efficient.

Sincerely,

Carol Langstaff
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Sharon, VT 05065-6709
(802) 765-4659
carolang@aol.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Carl G Martin <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 2:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

We weatherized our house through Efficiency VT, and our energy bills, and use of firewood, have dropped significantly. My retired mother recently did the same with her old Brookfield farmhouse, with even more drastic results.

Radical reduction of energy use, and not only replacing the worst types of energy, is the central step to tackling the inter-related supply and pollution problems that we face. To propose cutting funding to these state mechanisms (on behalf of "efficiency" or "savings"?) is to ignore the power of the public to aggregate money in a way that helps all Vermont citizens and our environment, locally and globally.

Any resistance to these programs within state government is a cynical sleight-of-hand, privileging a few dollars in reduced taxes over the hundreds paid annually to oil/gas companies and Green Mountain Power for wasted energy. Some things cannot be accomplished through the so-called "free market" and consumer "choice."

Sincerely,

Carl G Martin
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carlgmartin@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: John Colt <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 2:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

When I was racing cars, there were two ways to go faster.

The most obvious was to increase horsepower. This added stresses, decreased reliability, often required changes in the transmission and chassis, and generally was costly over time, even if the initial cost was not high.

The other way to go faster was to make the car lighter. This took more thought, because you had to be smart about it, but when the car got lighter, it went faster on the same horsepower, it was more reliable, cornered better, and was cheaper to run, even if lighter parts cost more initially.

This is a lot like our energy situation.

We can add capacity, with it's continuing costs, to run more generators, pay for more imported power, and maintain additional transmission infrastructure.

Alternatively, we can spend a bit more for energy efficient homes, improved appliances, renewable sources and smart electricity distribution now, which will pay us back multiple times in the future.

It's a long race, we need to prepare properly if we want to finish.

Sincerely,

John Colt
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jzcolt@myfairpoint.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Peggy West <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 2:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I want to strongly express my support for sustaining or expanding the budget for efficiency programs. I have used these programs myself and believe them to be worthwhile. Efficiency is the biggest bang for the buck in two ways. Monetary savings are obvious. Savings in natural resources, limiting pollution and carbon emissions is even more important. The earth can only recover from our impacts to a limited degree and we have been exceeding the limits for some time. Efficiency is the best, easiest way to limit human impact on the environment. Please do the sensible thing!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Peggy West
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South Londonderry, VT 05155
(802) 231-6131
pzwnorth@hotmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Katherine Hood <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 2:15 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Please continue to enhance and expand effecient energy in Vermont.

Sincerely,

Katherine Hood
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South Royalton, VT 05068-4465
(802) 763-8395
kithood3@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Nancy Wolfe <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 2:41 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

It is a very regressive action you are considering about energy usage in Vermont. Efficiency Vermont has surely allowed many folks to avail themselves of energy savings they would not have otherwise. Banning Wind energy outright seems to me a very autocratic Trumpian decision. It should be the choice of the local community. If we reduce our energy usage we reduce the need for power grid/line etc. upgrades.

Sincerely,

Nancy Wolfe
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Barre, VT 05641-3831
(802) 479-1832
nancylwolfe@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Timothy Marr <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 2:41 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I am a long time Efficiency VT volunteer, and have seen first hand how powerful the impact of person to person energy efficiency/conservation efforts can be. For instance, heat pump technology is incredibly efficient, yet many people remain ignorant of the cost savings and energy savings .

Sincerely,

Timothy Marr
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hauptmarr@comcast.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Betsy Hardy <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 2:41 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Energy efficiency work is so essential to decreasing fossil fuel use, reducing carbon emissions, and helping to mitigate global climate change. Please increase (don't decrease!) funding for energy efficiency. I've had much energy efficiency work done in my home and it has made a huge difference!

Though it has costs initially, energy efficiency work significantly decreases energy costs in the long run. It makes much more sense than continuing to pay more in energy costs each month.

Please support increasing funds for energy efficiency in budgets!

Sincerely,

Betsy Hardy
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Richmond, VT 05477-0209
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betsyh@gmavt.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Debra Diegoli <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 2:41 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Efficiency Vermont helps low and moderate-income people make weatherization improvements that they would not be able to afford otherwise.

Efficiency Vermont works: Vermont electric bills are lower than the national average right now, and much of the credit goes to efficiency programs.

The resulting reduced energy use saves the state money by lessening the need for upgrades and for expensive power at peak times.

Instead of cutting the budget for Efficiency Vermont, please consider increasing it to help people and planet.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Debra Diegoli
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Springfield, VT 05156-9775
(802) 546-4587
dldiegolvt@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Sylvie Desautels <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 3:41 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Dear Members of the PSB,

My husband and I built a new house 9 years ago. Despite that our money was tight we invested in thicker walls with more insulation and better than average windows. We stalled finishing our house because we were committed to conserving as much energy as possible. Those investments were totally worth every cent. We have enjoyed years of very low energy consumption and have saved lots of money in utility bills.

I know that money is tight in state government, just as it was for us when we built. Regardless, it is penny wise and pound foolish to even consider reducing the funding of Energy Efficiency. The state of Vt should do the opposite...think long term and increased the budget. If we are to meet our goals of 90% renewable energy by 2050, increased efficiency is a must.

Please consider this strongly

Sincerely,

Sylvie Desautels
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(802) 498-8438
sylviedesautels@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Claudia Rose <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 3:41 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

YES to renewable energy and continued focus on efficiency. I am appreciative of Vermont's leadership in this important piece in the ecology of our planet.

Sincerely,

Claudia Rose
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Enosburg Falls, VT 05450-5093
(802) 933-6107
claudiarosevt@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Maryann Carlson <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 3:41 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

PBS Board, Please continue to support energy efficiency initiatives. I want myself and all Vermonters to reach our 2050 goals to be fossil fuel free.

Thank you for your continued support of these goals.

Warmly but not too warm, MaryAnn Carlson

Sincerely,

Maryann Carlson
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Arlington, VT 05250-8947
(802) 375-8353
carlson@sover.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Rita Clark <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 3:41 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Vermont must be forward-thinking and try to meet ambitious goals to be 90 percent renewable energy by 2020. We need a variety of energy sources, wind, sun, and water to do this. Please be forward-thinking. I am counting on you to be responsible leaders for all of us.

Sincerely,

Rita Clark
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East Fairfield, VT 05448-9736
(802) 849-2260
rsclark48@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Catherine Sells <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 4:11 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Cutting efficiency programs just doesn't make sense. These programs help all of us, but especially lower income Vermonters, to be able to afford more energy efficient products from light bulbs to washing machines. These programs result in lower energy costs for families and reduce the need to build or buy more sources of power for the state. Given the potential for drastic cuts in environmental programs nationally, we can use less energy and promote a cleaner environment here in Vermont. The cleanest energy is what we don't use!

Sincerely,

Catherine Sells
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North Hero, VT 05474-9630
(802) 233-8138
windvine@comcast.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Katie Dooley <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 4:11 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Vermont electric bills are lower than the national average right now, thanks to our efficiency programs. Reduced energy use also reduces the need for electric line upgrades and expensive power at certain times of the year--which saves the state money. Reduced energy use is good for the environment--the cleanest energy is the energy we don't use. We should be increasing efficiency budgets--not decreasing them. Don't make Vermont lose the momentum we have gained since our EEU came to be.

Vermont's economy will also benefit as businesses save money on energy bills, they can use the money saved to grow.

Sincerely,

Katie Dooley
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Hinesburg, VT 05461-9431
annadooley1@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Charay Malas <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 4:41 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

we should be increasing efficiency budgets not increasing them. please find new ways to reduce energy and increase efficiency programs

Sincerely,

Charay Malas
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Chelsea, VT 05038-9046
(802) 685-3089
fortheanimals@copper.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Phyllis Erwin <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 4:45 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Please consider the long term consequences of NOT increasing energy efficiency!

Sincerely,

Phyllis Erwin
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Guilford, VT 05301-7174
(802) 257-8138
perwin1943@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Wolfger Schneider <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 5:11 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing NOT Decreasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Dear Board Members:

According to your mission "The Board's mission is to ensure the provision of high quality public utility services in Vermont at minimum reasonable costs, consistent with the long-term public good of the state." your actions are to be consistent with the long-term public good. Improving the efficiency of energy use is an action that yields long-term good for individuals and the State in that it lowers consumption of energy and reduces greenhouse gases in most cases.

I urge you to stand your budgetary ground and continue funding the efficiency utilities with a meaningful budget. Stand your ground against cuts in this area proposed by the Governor.

Sincerely,
Wolfger Schneider
Charlotte, VT

Sincerely,

Wolfger Schneider
18 Common Way
Charlotte, VT 05445-4426
(802) 425-4804
wolfger1213@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Paul Boffa <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 5:41 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Nothing saves fuel, energy, dollars, and the environment better than lowering demand. Efficiency measures that reduce demand/consumption should be automatic no-brainer first initiatives in any energy plan.

Sincerely,

Paul Boffa
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(802) 229-6259
paul.boffa@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Dana Caspersen <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 6:11 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Dear Public Service Board,

I urge you continue to increase energy efficiency budgets. One thing I treasure about Vermont is its practicality and forward thinking in regards to taking care of its people and the natural world. Right now, Vermont electric bills are lower than the national average right now, thanks to our efficiency programs. Reduced energy use also reduces the need for electric line upgrades and expensive power at certain times of the year--which saves the state money. And, vitally, reduced energy use is good for the environment--the cleanest energy is the energy we don't use.

Let's think long term, let's continue to create a sustainable, beautiful state full of people who are thriving. Let's increase efficiency budgets, not decrease them.

Sincerely,

Dana Caspersen
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dcaspersen@mac.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Judith Hazelton <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 6:11 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Efficiency benefits everyone.

Sincerely,

Judith Hazelton
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Bennington, VT 05201-9384
(802) 447-7426
pheralicious@yahoo.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Jack Clay <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 6:41 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

As you know:

- Vermont electric bills are lower than the national average right now, thanks to our efficiency programs.
- Reduced energy use also saves the state money.
- Reduced energy use is good for the environment--the cleanest energy is the energy we don't use.
- We should be increasing efficiency budgets--not decreasing them.

Please don't be penny wise and pound foolish. Let's be forward thinking and spend our tax dollars where they'll do the most good. Invest in Efficiency Vermont!

Sincerely,

Jack Clay
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Middletown Springs, VT 05757-4470
(802) 235-2651
jclay.second@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Jody Paine <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 8:11 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Efficiency programs work lets keep them .

Sincerely,

Jody Paine
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jodyp@myfairpoint.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Susan Mills <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 8:11 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Efficiency is the most cost effective and least polluting way to reduce energy consumption. We should be increasing our efforts in this area, not decreasing them.

Sincerely,

Susan Mills
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(802) 728-9033
millsvt@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: William Thurber <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 9:42 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

"The cheapest energy is the energy you don't use." It just makes complete sense.

Sincerely,

William Thurber
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Saint Albans, VT 05478-1094
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Whitney, Judith

From: Hugo Liepmann <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 9:42 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Support energy efficiency for all Vermonters. Particularly for energy efficiency and solar generation.

Sincerely,

Hugo Liepmann
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Randolph Center, VT 05061-9810
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Whitney, Judith

From: Patricia Araujo <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 9:46 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

All buildings moving forward must be net zero energy structures. Why pay for heat, electric and air when solar will provide the energy? It makes no sense. Support energy efficiency!

Sincerely,

Patricia Araujo
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dancers101054012002@yahoo.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Patricia Lewis <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 9:46 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

The cheapest and cleanest energy is that which is not used - please continue efforts to promote efficiency. We should be increasing efficiency budgets, not decreasing them.

Sincerely,

Patricia Lewis
125 Sherman Ln
New Haven, VT 05472-3085
(802) 343-6280
plewis0849@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Bill Christian <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 10:12 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 26, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

PSB:

Humankind is in a life-or-death struggle to achieve a way of living that can last. A highly efficient way of life is one of the three legs of the stool that could do this (along with renewable resources and population control). Without all three we are doomed.

So now is NOT a time to back off on promoting efficiency.

Sincerely,

Bill Christian
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North Bennington, VT 05257-9131
(802) 430-4511
bill_christian@comcast.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Jill Castelli <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Saturday, May 27, 2017 6:43 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 27, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Invest in energy efficiency. Re-use, recycle.

Sincerely,

Jill Castelli
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Brookfield, VT 05036-9697
(802) 431-5268
jill.castelli@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Christine Quinn <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Saturday, May 27, 2017 9:13 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 27, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Reduced energy use is good for the environment--the cleanest energy is the energy we don't use. We should be increasing efficiency budgets--not decreasing them.
Two well documented realities are the environment is in trouble and people are motivated by money. Increases in efficiency budgets are a win win. This should be an easy decision.

Sincerely,

Christine Quinn
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Cavendish, VT 05142-9798
(802) 226-7726
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Whitney, Judith

From: William April <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Saturday, May 27, 2017 2:14 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 27, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Using the efficiency tool is the cheapest way to achieve a decrease in energy costs. It takes the least effort and appears to the user as an immediate and in process step to a reduced carbon footprint. We need to save this funding!

Sincerely,

William April
310 Mountain View Dr
Waterbury Center, VT 05677-7109
(802) 882-8113
hiker@gmavt.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Joyce Waters <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Saturday, May 27, 2017 8:48 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 27, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

With out current administration we cannot afford to decrease energy budgets. The White House and Congress are all about coal and oil which only add to air pollution which in turn generates poor health thus adding to an already struggling health care system. Our generations to come deserve to have clean air to breathe.

Sincerely,

Joyce Waters
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East Thetford, VT 05043-0183
(802) 785-2102
watersj1@mindspring.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Steve Jurnak <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Saturday, May 27, 2017 10:48 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 27, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I have a hard enough time paying my bill now. If Scott wants to get reelected he needs to work for the people and our teachers.

Sincerely,

Steve Jurnak
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Essex Junction, VT 05452-2702
(802) 874-1496
hsjurnak@comcast.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Ralph Iovino <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 28, 2017 7:45 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 28, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

we should be increasing efficiency budgets with money from green mountain power corporation profits and not from its customers wallets - its time they started contributing something

Sincerely,

Ralph Iovino
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ralph259@vermontel.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Natalee Braun <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 28, 2017 9:45 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 28, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Dear PSB Members,

As a Vermont resident who is proud of the leadership in environmental stewardship our state has demonstrated in the past, I implore you to increase rather than decrease our efficiency budget. I believe this to be particularly important in the current political climate and trust that the PSB's vision extends to the seventh generation and that its members act in alignment with that view.

Sincerely,

Natalee Braun
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Essex Junction, VT 05452-3836
(513) 886-3217
nataleefbraun@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Aileen Peake <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 28, 2017 11:46 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 28, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

We should not decrease the budgets for the efficiency utilities in Vermont! They are reducing energy needs which is so much better for the environment and the health of all Vermonters. Please think of the health of your families who live in this beautiful state and don't decrease these important budgets!

Sincerely,

Aileen Peake
85 Beechwood Crst
Northfield, VT 05663-6104
(802) 485-8922
apeake@tds.net

Whitney, Judith

From: madeleine wennerstrom <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 28, 2017 2:16 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 28, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I don't want to sound flip but this really is " a no- brainer "! Why on this great earth would we decrease energy efficiency budgets? We humans are designed to walk forward not backward so lets crack on!!! Vermonters have always been pioneers so lets not stop now...lets show Washington DC who the real leaders of this great nation are! Thank you for your consideration on this vital issue.

Sincerely,

madeleine wennerstrom
24 Cram Hill Rd
Randolph, VT 05060-9005
(802) 728-4908
capenana08@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Donielle Workman <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 28, 2017 7:46 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 28, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

We should invest in all green technologies for our future.

Sincerely,

Donielle Workman
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Bethel, VT 05032-9612
(561) 510-3752
rainydust@aol.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Judi Daly <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 28, 2017 8:16 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 28, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Please continue to support energy efficiency programs. The cleanest type of energy is the energy not used due to efficiency. The state will save maintenance money in decreased use of the electric infrastructure. It creates jobs and helps low income people to pay their electric bill when the amount is decreased due to efficiency upgrades thank you

Sincerely,

Judi Daly
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Waterbury, VT 05676-9689
(802) 244-5868
judicdaly@yahoo.com

Whitney, Judith

From: agnes quinn <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 28, 2017 10:47 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 28, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

In ths past two year's we had to replace dishwasher, stove and refrigerator !
AND invest in 2 solar panels which required to invest /replace our old water heater for a hybrid electric water heater .
WE GAVE UP PROPANE HEATING ENTIRELY!
So Efficiency Budgets Should be increasing !

Agnes .

Sincerely,

agnes quinn
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Fairfax, VT 05454-9598
(917) 363-3369
agnesvermont@yahoo.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Patrick Flood <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Monday, May 29, 2017 8:21 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 29, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

It makes absolutely no sense to reduce or curtail energy efficiency programs. We should be expanding them . We can build all the wind turbines and solar arrays we want, but unless we significantly reduce use and demand, we will never end up reducing fossil fuel use. the Department of Public Service needs to make a strong show of support for these programs.

Sincerely,

Patrick Flood
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Whitney, Judith

From: Betsy Brigham <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Monday, May 29, 2017 9:48 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Maintain funding for Energy Efficiency

May 29, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

i am concerned about Gov Scott's request to reduce funding for Vt's energy efficiency utilities. It makes no sense on any level, economically or environmentally.

Energy efficiency saves money for ratepayers, home owners, and businesses-- the cheapest energy is the energy we don't use. It is also the most cost-effective way to reduce carbon emissions.

As you determine the next 3-year budget for Efficiency Vermont and other efficiency utilities, I urge you to make sure funding keeps pace with inflation so that the work of these utilities can continue to serve the interests of Vermont and its citizens.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: James Messier <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Monday, May 29, 2017 10:18 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 29, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

We need continued support; not a decline.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Peter Sternberg <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Monday, May 29, 2017 10:18 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 29, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

the Efficiency Vermont programs are saving me money on my heating and electric bills right now. I think they should be expanded for more people in the state

Sincerely,

Peter Sternberg
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Whitney, Judith

From: Anne Jameson <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Monday, May 29, 2017 10:48 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 29, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Cuts to the energy efficiency programs in Vermont will only take us backward in our efforts to lower electric bills and save money on electric 'infrastructure' such as electric line upgrades and seasonal cost increases. Thanks to our already established programs, Vermont's electric bills are currently lower than the national average.

Reducing energy consumption is also critical for our climate. Energy used efficiently (or not used at all) is the cleanest energy possible!

And, it's the most cost effective. The resources to promote and incentivize efficient technologies and appliances are easily recovered by the statewide and individual cost savings of simply using less energy.

It doesn't make sense for the Scott administration to advocate pulling back on these critical programs, particularly in light of their focus on 'affordability'. We should be increasing efficiency budgets, not cutting them!

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Sara Burchard <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Monday, May 29, 2017 11:18 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 29, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Supporting Efficiency VT and related activities is essential! (meaning continued if not increased funding). 9 yrs ago I had an Efficiency Vt trained person evaluate my home, built in 1962. As a result at very minimal expense, I added 16" of paper based insulation to the crawl space, found 2 exhaust fans did not excite house (fixed), door to attached garage, a bedroom door (replaced by outside door) had windows checked (ok) and fireplace checked (ok). Also had garage ceiling reinsulated with heavy paper based insulation. Result: no more lovely long ice cycles on eaves, no more drafts, and SIGNIFICant savings on heating bill.

Later, added computer based control for heating (boiler) based water and house heat (with help from Obama and Vt Gas incentives) and ever since, amount of BTUs per month cut in half. With Efficiency Vt support in Hardware stores, I have recently replaced all fluerescent lighting with the latest energy efficient bulbs on market. With other efficiencies, such as energy rated appliances, my electric bill is minimal, about \$27/ mo.

These are REAL and effective ways that many folks can address climate change while we see that those with the single biggest role refuse or dawdle with addressing their impact. This IS effective and needs to continue to be promoted and supported!

Please Do! It is a morale duty, something we can control and effect Locally in Vermont!

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Glenn Letourneau <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 9:20 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 30, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

At a time like we're living in now, with rising temperatures, and increased freak weather incidents from Global Climate Change, Vermont needs to continue to be a leader in energy efficiency, and clean energy generation; budgets for efficiency related and green energy generation should be being increased, not decreased! Please do not bow to pressure from the utility companies or our new Republican Governor, our children and our beautiful wild places need us to be leaders in the fight against climate change. Please reconsider this budget cutting for efficiency programs, it truly is the easiest way to fight climate change.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Katharine Whiteley <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 9:50 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 30, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

This is not the time to retreat on energy efficiency programs in Vermont. Now, more than ever, Vermont needs to be a leader on all fronts of renewable energy. I urge the PSB to use its influence to help Vermonters save money on energy. We need to move forward not backwards.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: James Burde <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 10:50 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 30, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

As a professional in the architecture and building trades, I can attest to the value and long-term savings that come as a result of Vermont's efficiency programs. It just makes sense to keep programs in place that work to save money and reduce energy use.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Jessica Thyme <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 31, 2017 2:55 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

May 31, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Thanks. As a practicing architect I see opportunities to build in sustainable savings passed over time & again. We are not very good at thinking & planning for the future! Efficiency Vermont incentives are the only trends that have shifted practice (always shifting behavior, just slightly ahead of a natural timeline for adopting new technology.) The time gains in behavior & technology adoption are crucially needed to meet goals formed by the scientific communities.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Willow Broaddus <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 11:27 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Keep Energy Clean, Renewable, and Efficient!!!!

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Jon Miller <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 11:57 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

As you consider efficiency budgets moving forward, please note:

Vermont electric bills are lower than the national average right now, thanks to our efficiency programs.

Reduced energy use also reduces the need for electric line upgrades and expensive power at certain times of the year-- which saves the state money.

Reduced energy use is good for the environment--the cleanest energy is the energy we don't use.

We should be increasing efficiency budgets--not decreasing them.

At a time and in a political climate where energy efficiency appears less important, the stark truth is that climate change is the greatest existential threat facing the planet...and we need to be doing all we can at all levels to counteract this. Please keep Vermont at the front of states who are investing in smart energy policies.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Shiraz Daya <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 11:57 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I just wanted to add some comments in light of hearing about budget cuts for incentives available for increasing efficiency in energy usage.

Due to the available rebates I was able to do some major renovations at our new home in Brandon, VT with installation of 2 heat-pumps and significant improvements in insulation in this old house. I am also planning on installing solar panels on my barn roof later this summer that should make me almost completely self sufficient with my electricity needs, and also adding another heat-pump - thanks to the rebate from Efficiency Vermont for this.

I urge the board to consider keeping these incentives "alive" in encouraging more Vermonters to consider energy-efficiency projects in their own homes and help us all be even more "greener".

Sincerely,
Shiraz & Faith Daya

12W Seminary St, Brandon, VT

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Michael Lamphere <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 11:57 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Efficiency by helped our aging seniors building save a lot of money !!

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Frank Fetter <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 11:57 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Energy efficiency is the "low hanging fruit" of the energy policy world. Let us get the most return from our efforts and elevate energy efficiency to the forefront of our commitments. This is the place to bear down hard. We will benefit the most from this approach. Spend more on efficiency budgets - NOT less.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Richard Kerschner <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 11:57 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Saving energy through energy efficiency is a no-brainer. Over the past decade, I have reduced by annual home energy usage from 11,000KWH to 6100KWH, mostly through energy efficiency efforts supported by Efficiency Vermont. This has resulted in my annual electrical costs decreasing from \$1373 to \$1150 even though the cost of electricity has increased from \$.13/KWH to \$.19/KWH over the past 10 years.

Reduced energy use is good for the environment--the cleanest energy is the energy we don't use. There is no down side to such efficiency efforts. Please increase funding for energy efficiency efforts.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Nicholas Seifert <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 11:57 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Vermont has led by example for years in the area of energy reduction and energy efficiency. Further opportunities exist to continue this leadership and this effort should be fully supported by at least keeping level funding, if not increasing monies spent on this. I strongly support maintaining or increasing funding for efficiency measures in VT.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: David Hansen <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 11:57 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

The work pioneered by Efficiency Vermont is admired and copied throughout the world, from China to Britain, Nova Scotia to Washington, D.C.

It is a proven energy saver with tremendous increasing potential not only to reduce our energy usage but to help people who are most vulnerable, reduce their energy needs.

Please support this incredibly valuable resource.

Sincerely,

David Hansen
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Whitney, Judith

From: Mary Dallett <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 11:57 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

look forward

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: John Villere <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 11:57 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Vermont, along with California should be at the very forefront of energy efficiency. Despite our claim of being very green we still produce a very small fraction of the energy we use in this state.

Electric cars are most certainly the future for automobile transportation. We need to plan for that transformation. For that not to require large upgrades of transmission lines we need to continue to improve our efficiency. We also need to encourage more localized renewable energy generation.

Making the most out of the power we get requires that we smooth out the demand cycles. Right now the best solution to that is battery storage like the Tesla PowerWall. Vermont should do everything it can to encourage the installation of such devices, not just on homes with their own renewable energy generation, but also anywhere else that uses electric energy.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Jonathan Fine <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 11:57 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Reduced energy usage benefits everyone; consumers, the broader economy, even and especially the environment. It only makes sense to continue to provide funding for this resource which provides so much value to Vermont citizens.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Anne Fayen <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 12:27 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Increasing energy efficiency in our homes is a no-brainer way to help Vermonters in their daily lives, as well as helping the planet. Making life more comfortable and more affordable is going to help keep young people in the state. Please don't succumb to short-sighted changes: increase, rather than decrease, efficiency budgets.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Frederick Hearn <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 12:27 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Please increase efficiency budget, I am disabled and on social security.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Shannon Dufour-Martinez <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 12:27 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I recently told a friend that I couldn't take seriously his desire to have an electric car and solar panels on his roof if he couldn't figure out how to shut the lights off at his house when he leaves. This feels like the same issue, on a much bigger and more dire scale. I can't take the state's effort seriously, businesses won't take us seriously, and governing bodies won't take us seriously if we can't reduce our energy use before trying to convert to clean energy. So many families and businesses just don't know what to do to reduce their use, making these programs critical. Please fund them, so that people everywhere can't take Vermont seriously.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Mary Lower <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 12:57 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

This not only proven but common sense tells us we should be increasing efficiency budgets--not decreasing them. The Scott administration's budget proposals seem headed in the wrong direction.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: John Benjamin <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 12:57 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

This is critical to our survival and it is a job creator - it just makes sense

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Susan Dunne <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 12:57 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Vermont needs to increase their energy efficiency. Vermonters who are living within a budget have been able to use the information forwarded to them to save even more on their electric bills. This helps save money for all Vermonters.

Research shows that Vermont electric bills are lower than the national average because of our efficiency programs. Vermont has been known to lead the way in efforts to conserve energy, let us continue to be the leader. We should continue our efforts to reduce energy because it is good for the environment as well as Vermonters' pocketbooks.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Stacia Rymarchyk <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 12:57 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Yes, seeing wind turbines around more often WILL take a little getting used to, but no one complained when cell phone towers needed to be installed or power lines when they need to go through. No one questions when a new apartment complex is built with overpriced apartments. And yet, we're still dragging our heels with this! As a small state with a small population, its much easier for us to rally around new things.

That's why we need to push forward with bringing in more wind turbines.

Its already too expensive to live in this state and people are looking everywhere to save money. With the closing of Vermont Yankee, and the already high cost of living, permitting wind turbines is an obvious next move for this state. Unfortunately we can't use wind turbines on a trial basis, and then make the decision, but with knowing this option will lower energy costs, what's stopping us?!?!?!?

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Peter Meyer <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 12:57 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Cutting an efficiency program THAT IS WORKING, that is saving us money while protecting the environment, MAKES NO SENSE. Please continue to fully fund this cost effective program!

Efficiency and improving technology are obviously huge parts of our energy future. Building public awareness of energy efficiency and helping consumers become more efficient simply makes sense. It increases our energy independence and makes us less vulnerable as a state, both economically and as a practical matter.

It is not difficult to imagine parts of our aging and vulnerable national power grid going down, possibly for days or more. Now imagine that due to our efficiency, innovation, and independent power generation, Vermonters and Vermont's economy continue to function during a prolonged national grid failure. This is the kind of scenario we need to be planning for. It is blind and shortsighted to fail to invest in preparing for this and efficiency is a big part of making us safe.

There is no logical scientifically based reason to cut this very reasonably priced program. It makes economic sense; it puts Vermont on the cutting edge of future technologies, innovation and promotes our technology sector. It's taking responsible action toward reducing our contribution to Climate Change. As noted, it also makes us less vulnerable to potential prolonged grid failures.

I can only imagine there is partisan, ideological, and/or lobbyist pressure to defund something that is both important to our energy independence, our economic prosperity, and that is working. I expect that kind of anti-science, anti-common sense nonsense at the national level, but here in VT we should ignore lobbyist and partisan pressure and continue to lead.

For the above economic, energy independence and environmental reasons, I strongly urge the Board to maintain or increase funding for VT's Energy Efficiency programs.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Walter Duda <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 1:28 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I am Walter Duda senior of Poultney, Vt. FOUR years ago I burned six tons of wood pellets and subsequently looked for a more efficient heat source for my home. The following year after reading about and checking with owners of, I installed my first heat pump. The following winter was one of the coldest we had experienced in decades, I burned tow tons of pellets. My home is a two story four bedroom built in 1873. The following year I purchased a second unit smaller than the first. My pellets stove is in storage and I have over a ton of pellets left over.

This is the cleanest, quietest source of heat you could ever imagine.

The large unit sits six feet away for my TV and winter heating or summer cooling, it does not interfere with my pleasure though it certainly added to it.

The most commonly asked question by folks who don't think is, what do you do when the power goes off, to which I reply, the same thing you do with your furnace, electric heater or pellet stove, all rely on electricity. Therefore I purchased and installed a gas heater backup sufficient to keep pipes from freezing. At 83 years of age, I have used wood, oil, pellets and kerosene heaters, this source is by far the best and economical almost maintenance free source of heat ever. If you are young, add solar panels and heat your house for free for the next twenty plus years. A very happy warm in the winter and cool in the summer convert to environmental cleanlines.

Walter Duda sr. Poultny., Vt.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Tom Finnell <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 1:28 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

The cheapest form of energy is the energy you don't use.Duh!

Sincerely,

Tom Finnell
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Whitney, Judith

From: Dennis Donahue <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 1:28 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I urge the Public Service Board to continue supporting state regulated efficiency budgets. Better, increase such budgets!

I have been the recipient of supporting funds for efficiency improvements three times for improvements to my home (actually three homes in Vermont - Norwich and Thetford). The first time I did such work was perhaps 30 years ago, and the reduction in fuel oil costs then was at least 30 percent.

Energy efficiency improvements should continue to be highly supported forever! Housing stock in Vermont in many areas is old.

Thanks,

Dennis Donahue

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Dru Carter <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 1:58 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Our Vermont electric bills are lower than in most other states thanks to efficiency programs; therefore, we should be increasing efficiency funding and certainly not decreasing budgets. The state also saves money when the need for line improvement is reduced. Also, and probably most importantly, we need to keep in mind using less energy is better for the environment. Reducing efficiency budgets would be very short sighted. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Douglas McCorkle <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 1:58 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Efficiency saves money, period. Funding for efficiency programs should be increased, not decreased, because they help people save money.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Bob Rueter <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 2:58 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Vermont electric bills are lower than the national average right now, thanks to our efficiency programs.

We should be increasing efficiency budgets and planning for electric storage solutions.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Liza Morgioni <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 3:28 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Vermont electric bills are lower than the national average right now, thanks to our efficiency programs. Reduced energy use also reduces the need for electric line upgrades and expensive power at certain times of the year--which saves the state money. Reduced energy use is good for the environment--the cleanest energy is the energy we don't use. We should be increasing efficiency budgets--not decreasing them. The future of this state, both environmentally and economically, is very important to me!

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Constance West <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 3:58 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

We need to be increasing our efficiency budgets not reducing them.

Yes, we are in tight budget times, of necessity. But, this is one place where the returns from increased budgets are clear and necessary.

Efficiency reduces energy consumption, means less need for electric line upgrades and power generation. This is not where we should be economizing. The investments that we can make now in efficiency are reaped ten fold into the future.

Sincerely,

Constance West
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(802) 362-7144
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Whitney, Judith

From: Don Ramey <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 3:58 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I got an energy audit from NeighborWorks of Western Vermont and was able to cut my fuel oil use by 20% with the investment of about five days work and a couple hundred dollars of caulk and other materials. Seems like a no brainer that these efficiency programs give us the most bang for the buck of any renewable energy development.

Sincerely,

Don Ramey
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West Rutland, VT 05777-9113
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Whitney, Judith

From: Paul McMahon <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 4:28 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

This state has become a leader in the country for reducing energy costs by promoting energy efficiency. We need to increase this effort and expand the offerings for this very successful venture! This has benefits in all ways of reducing our impact on the environment and making the state more affordable. PLEASE look at the progress that has been accomplished to date and see if you can further it's growth by adding more funds!

Sincerely,

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paul@ironworksdesign.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Terrence Dinnan <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 4:28 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Support efficiency programs!

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Dear PSB: I am writing to express my strong support for the promotion of efficiency programs in Vermont. Due to Vermont's strong efficiency programs, I was able to install solar power and produce enough green energy for our current daily use and (hopefully) to soon support an electric car. Please do not reduce efficiency efforts! In the long run, these programs will save Vermonters considerable expenses and the payback will last for years to come. Please continue to promote green initiatives which are needed now more than ever considering the Federal Government's rollback of regulations which were intended to slow alarming global warming trends. Vermont is, and can continue to be, a model in the efficiency area that will benefit the future population of this GREEN mountain state. Please continue to support solar and, yes!, wind projects. The time has come to make every effort possible to mitigate fossil fuels' destructive effects on this planet. We have the technology and the costs are now competitive. Don't go "Federal" on us and reduce our considerable momentum re the responsible stewardship of our one and only Earth. Thank you.

-Terrence Dinnan (Charlotte, Vt.)

Sincerely,

Terrence Dinnan
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(802) 425-2002
scottpond@gmavt.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Diane Gayer <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 4:58 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Efficiency is critical to our future. We will never be able to create enough supply to meet demand without the cost effective and comfort level measures that efficiencies provide. Efficiency through conversions of lighting, heating, and water heaters or via better windows, doors, and insulation--mean jobs across multiple sectors. It is short-sighted to think that strict reliance on supply is a win-win situation. Do not cut EFFICIENCY BUDGETS.... These are extremely important to Vermonters.

Sincerely,

Diane Gayer
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dgayer@uvm.edu

Whitney, Judith

From: Robert Zatzke <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 4:58 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I strongly support increasing efficiency budgets as this is an area we can't afford decrease funding for. Efficiency saves Vermonters money years into the future which greatly multiplies the value of each dollar spent saving energy in our homes. Not only does this save energy costs, but reduces carbon emissions from non-green fuel sources.

In consideration of many Federal programs and regulations regarding energy efficiency being cut, Vermont will not be able to count on Federal resources to fill any vacuum created by reducing our State resources for efficiency.

Efficiency programs are quite frankly the most efficient use of our energy dollars and the winners are Vermont consumers and the environment. While I also strongly support renewable resources such as wind and solar, given a choice, reducing the need for energy is preferable to building another wind or solar installation.

Sincerely,

Robert Zatzke
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Whitney, Judith

From: Mallory Staskus <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 4:58 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Efficiency programs are an incredibly important program within our government. Personally efficiency Vermont programs allowed me to purchase a home. An important consideration when I was looking to buy was how I was going to be able to heat and afford to heat my new home.

Efficiency Vermont's programs enabled me to insulate and air seal my 110 year old house as well as install a heat pump.

I am incredibly thankful I was able to stay in Vermont, where I grew up, and feel so much better about the reduced impact I am having on the environment.

Please do everything you can to keep and expand these programs as they help our environment, help keep young adults in Vermont and support our green economy!

Thank you for your time,
Mallory

Sincerely,

Mallory Staskus
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(802) 793-3574
mallory.staskus@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Juliana Fechter <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 5:28 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Please keep Vermont moving forward-I support increasing efficiency budgets.and supporting energy saving technologies... Thank You.

Juliana Fechter

Sincerely,

Juliana Fechter
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Whitney, Judith

From: Linda Sukop <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 6:28 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Vermont electric bills are lower than the national average right now, thanks to efficiency programs. Reduced energy use also reduces the need for electric line upgrades and expensive power at certain times of the year. This saves the state money. Reduced energy use is good for the environment. The cleanest energy is the energy we don't use. Please protect and increase efficiency budgets! Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Mary Brown <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 6:58 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I strongly support efficiency budgets and increasing them instead of decreasing them is a win-win event. I have purchased energy efficient appliances since it's inception, and I really want the information. I use the guidelines for purchases.
If this affects the home efficiency programs then this budget is even more important. Many low income people have benefitted from this program.

Please do not decrease.

Sincerely,

Mary Brown
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Poultney, VT 05764-1023
marybbrown57@comcast.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Nancy Morley <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 6:58 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Invest in our future and our children's future

Sincerely,

Nancy Morley
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Whitney, Judith

From: Matthew Fregoe <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 8:59 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Energy efficiency matters to me. It's actually the easiest bill to cut down and I'm always surprised more people don't treat it that way. I was also able to get a substantial rebate from Efficiency Vermont on a dehumidifier for my basement this last year. Please just remember these programs are important in keeping our state ahead of the curve.

Sincerely,

Matthew Fregoe
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Essex Junction, VT 05452-3823
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mattfregoe@me.com

Whitney, Judith

From: David Fisher <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 8:59 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Energy Efficiency programs are benefitting most Vermont residents and businesses. By making our cost of energy lower, both by efficiency on the demand side and avoiding additional energy imports on the supply side, we are making Vermont a stronger state to live in and do business.

I strongly advocate the funding of energy efficiency programs for this reason.

Sincerely,

David Fisher
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Whitney, Judith

From: Courtney Dobyms <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 8:59 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I am all for energy efficiency. I have been excited to see how responsive Vermonters have been to this idea. I would like to see more education on reduced energy use. I have the feeling that people just don't see how easy it can be if you put your mind to it. It makes a real difference in a person's bill as well as helping the environment. There need to be more incentives. We could also be promoting more efficient technology and efficient appliances and zero energy building practices and trainings.
Thank you!!!

Sincerely,

Courtney Dobyms
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Whitney, Judith

From: David Fisher <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 8:59 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

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Sincerely,

David Fisher
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Whitney, Judith

From: Dinah Bain <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 8:59 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Energy efficiency is the most effective way to reduce both bills and reliance on fossil fuels. The cleanest energy is the energy we don't use!

Please increase the efficiency budget!

Sincerely,

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(802) 758-2218
cdbain@gmavt.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Linda Hunkins <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 8:59 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Please reconsider cutting funds for energy efficiency. We need to reduce energy usage as a key part in avoiding further environmental damage. The energy efficiency program also saves VT and Vermonters money. We need to look at the big picture and preserve the future of our state and earth.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Linda Hunkins
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Saint Johnsbury, VT 05819-8947
(802) 748-8818
l.hunkie@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: James Hand <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 9:29 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

If President Trump's proposed budget cuts to LIHEAP type programs happen, we (Vermonters) must take it upon ourselves to maintain and or increase energy efficiency initiatives to help these folks out. And quite frankly, in the long run, providing assistance for energy efficiency will have much more value than handing out money to buy fuel...The efficiency measures will be a much better way to spend money in that it lasts for a lifetime instead of a one year handout.....Jim Hand, Dorset Energy Committee

Sincerely,

James Hand
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(802) 362-1673
jimehand@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Ingrid Pixley <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 9:29 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

We have a responsibility to conserve our energy resources, and increased efficiency budgets are a proven way to encourage a wide participation of Vermonters. The next generation will judge us on our decisions right now.

Sincerely,

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pixfam19@hotmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Anne Burling <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 9:59 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

It is a no brainer - the more efficient the better in every way. Yes, lets pay for it.

Sincerely,

Anne Burling
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abling9@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Ellen Keene <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 10:59 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

In light of the administration's decision to abandon the Paris Climate Agreement, let's lead the way in Vermont with a strong commitment toward energy efficiency. Increase the energy efficiency budgets. We are counting on you. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ellen Keene
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elliekofvt@aol.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Jessica Diamondstone <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 10:59 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Mr. Scott,

The resources to promote efficient technologies and appliances are easily recovered by the statewide and individual cost savings of simply using less energy. The cheapest energy is the energy we don't use. It's also the cleanest! With your administration's focus on "affordability," advocating for efficiency is spot on with your agenda!
Thank you, Jessica Diamondstone

Sincerely,

Jessica Diamondstone
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(802) 254-9403
jessbytheriver@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Michael Doran <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 11:29 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Efficiency and other conservation methods are the fastest way to a happier pocketbook and reduced energy consumption. Therefore, since efficiency gives the greatest return for investment we should be investing in efficiency even more than before. It is in the best interests of the public to have more efficiency.

Did I not mention helping the climate was also part of efficiency? It is.

Please make decisions in favor of more efficiency and more solar/wind projects.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

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mkdoran9@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Chrisman Kearn <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 11:29 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: dont decrease Efficiency Budgets, increase them

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Dear PSB, Providing both informational assistance and financial incentives for Energy Efficiency is wise use of State funds. Reducing fuel and electricity needs is the most cost effective method for Energy conservation and we ought to encourage the programs we have in place to continue their good work. I have availed myself of several Efficiency Vermont offerings and their audit and I will be incrementally making the upgrades they have advised. Let's continue to make Vermont even Greener. there is work to be done. Please increase their funding.

Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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chrisman@sover.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Marilyn Chiarello <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 11:29 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

It is such a critical time to support energy efficiency, especially now that the president is backing out of the Paris Accord. Vermont should continue supporting Efficiency Vermont.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Chiarello
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(802) 254-9121
bratthouse@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Sonia Cassani <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, June 02, 2017 6:30 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 2, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

sDear Vermont Public Service Board Members:

Please consider increasing efficiency budgets instead of decreasing them.

*Vermont electric bills are lower than the national average right now, thanks to our efficiency programs.

*Reduced energy use also reduces the need for electric line upgrades and expensive power at certain times of the year--which saves the state money.

*Reduced energy use is good for the environment--the cleanest energy is the energy we don't use.

Sincerely,

Sonia Cassani
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sonnycassani@hotmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Michael Iacona <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, June 02, 2017 7:00 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 2, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I am a carpenter and have seen first hand the benefits of making a home more efficient by means of reduced heating and cooling bills, reduced electric bills, and great improvements in comfort. Efficiency makes sense on so many levels. It's payback in most cases is very quick.

Sincerely,

Michael Iacona
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Whitney, Judith

From: Abby Colihan <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, June 02, 2017 7:00 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 2, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Our family is lucky that we can afford efficiency measures.

Not all families can. Vermont can and should be a leader in their efficiency programs for all its residents.

Inefficient homes are throwing dollars out the window and hurting the environment. These are dollars that could be used to improve quality of life for its residents.

Efficiency programs are WIN WIN programs that benefit all Vermonters!

Sincerely,

Abby Colihan
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loon@sover.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Mary Peters <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, June 02, 2017 8:00 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 2, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

It's a no brainer, especially now that our 'president' has pulled the country out of the Paris accord.

Sincerely,

Mary Peters
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Whitney, Judith

From: Thomas Baribault <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, June 02, 2017 8:30 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 2, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Dear Governor Scott:

My family all voted for you last November because you stood up against the industrial ridgetop wind lobby and pledged to uphold a moratorium on what amounted to looting of Vermont's environmental assets so that out of state interests could get carbon credits for continuing their own polluting practices to generate energy.

It is farcical at best to turn around and underfund the state's agencies that clearly provide the most effective way to control energy usage costs for all Vermont citizens. Please show leadership on this issue and help Vermonters by using other ways to balance the state budget.

We are all trying to do our part and live responsibly so that the following generations have a better quality of life here.

Sincerely,

Tom Baribault, Jericho

Sincerely,

Thomas Baribault
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Jericho, VT 05465-9711
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tom.j.baribault@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Barrie Bailey <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, June 02, 2017 11:07 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budget Should Be Increased

Jun 2, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Its a no brainer, efficiency is the most effective way for Vermonters to reduce our electricity costs and reduce the need of our state utilities to buy super expensive electric power on the spot market during peak usage events.

Please invest more in the efficiency utilities' budget rather than the shot sighted decrease promoted by the Governor and his administration.

Sincerely,

Barrie Bailey
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Salisbury, VT 05769-9819
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Whitney, Judith

From: Henry Swayze <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, June 02, 2017 11:18 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 2, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Climate change is happening and we must role it back. Efficiency is the low hanging fruit. Efficiency also reduces the rate we exhaust natural resources.

Sincerely,

Henry Swayze
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Tunbridge, VT 05077-9513
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henryswayze@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Diane Dubuque <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, June 02, 2017 11:18 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 2, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

With Trump pulling out of the Paris Agreement, this is more imp. than ever and we must have the funds to take action. We are going to do everything possible to slow down the earth's temp. - with or without Trump. Most Americans are very committed to this. It's just too important. Thank you, Diane

Sincerely,

Diane Dubuque
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Fairfax, VT 05454-9749
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freedrinks1@yahoo.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Pat O'Sullivan <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, June 02, 2017 11:37 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 2, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I have benefited from Efficiency VT, and know of others who have also saved energy and energy-related bills. Keep it going.

Sincerely,

Pat O'Sullivan
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St George, VT 05495-7221
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Whitney, Judith

From: Judith Tharinger <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, June 02, 2017 2:38 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 2, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

To Whom It May Concern,

I think cutting efficiency budgets for the coming year would be a huge mistake. Many of us in the state are trying to conserve energy and couldn't begin to do it without incentives. For others it's serves as a nudge to do the right thing when they could choose not to. The incentives have been a huge factor in conserving energy in this state. It's something we should be proud of and continue to do. I know so many people who have been able to weatherize an old house, buy a more efficient appliance or heating system, or just learn more about conserving energy. Energy conservation programs provide support for the direction that we need to be moving. States need to do all they can now that the Federal government has given up a leadership role.

Sincerely,

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Corinth, VT 05039-9767
(802) 439-5324
jtharinger@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Charlotte Staples <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, June 02, 2017 3:38 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 2, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

There are still thousands of buildings in Vermont which are short of insulation, weather-stripping, and with poorly insulated windows. In short, there are still many homes and rental units still leaking heat in the winter and needing to use excessive summer energy to cool down.

It is outside of common sense to cut the funds which would continue Vermont's fine progress in retrofitting energy-leaking residences and businesses.

Do not cut the funding for Efficiency Vermont's programs, and indeed, funding should be increased.. Keep Vermont in step with the Paris accords on climate change, despite what our national leadership says, They may be blind but Vermonters for the most part are not. We know that cutting our energy use, even if we are comparatively few in number, is beneficial for the planet.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Staples
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East Montpelier, VT 05651-4526
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skyearth1@aol.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Jenny Gundy <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, June 02, 2017 3:38 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 2, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Vermont electric bills are lower than the national average right now, thanks to our efficiency programs. Reduced energy use also reduces the need for electric line upgrades and expensive power at certain times of the year--which saves the state money.

Reduced energy use is good for the environment--the cleanest energy is the energy we don't use.

We should be increasing efficiency budgets--not decreasing them.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jenny Gundy
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Whitney, Judith

From: Robin Gorges <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, June 02, 2017 7:08 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 2, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

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Sincerely,

Robin Gorges
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Montpelier, VT 05602-2432
(802) 222-2222
dcwkmv@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Sally Burrell <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, June 02, 2017 11:09 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 2, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Please support the cleanest, cheapest energy resource we will ever have..... Efficiency.
Thank you!

Sincerely,

Sally Burrell
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Bristol, VT 05443-1037
(802) 453-7397
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Whitney, Judith

From: Julie Kenyon <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 03, 2017 8:40 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 3, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

We should be increasing efficiency budgets--not decreasing them.

Sincerely,

Julie Kenyon
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Whitney, Judith

From: Kerstin Johansson <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 03, 2017 9:10 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 3, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Vermont electric bills are lower than the national average right now, thanks to our efficiency programs. Reduced energy use also reduces the need for electric line upgrades and expensive power at certain times of the year--which saves the state money. Reduced energy use is good for the environment--the cleanest energy is the energy we don't use. We should be increasing efficiency budgets--not decreasing them.

Sincerely,

Kerstin Johansson
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Hinesburg, VT 05461-9370
(802) 343-5173
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Whitney, Judith

From: Phebe McCosker <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 03, 2017 12:21 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 3, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

As a new member of the US Climate Alliance, let's step up by increasing our efficiency budgets!

Sincerely,

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Thetford, VT 05074-0066
(802) 785-4186
phebe.mccosker@gmail.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Robert Young <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 03, 2017 1:51 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

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Jun 3, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Making our homes more energy efficient is one of the many ways of reducing carbon emissions that need to be encouraged by our state. With our president in climate change denial and federal government in gridlock, it's up to us on the state and local level to encourage actions which reduce carbon emissions.

Sincerely,

Robert Young
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Jericho, VT 05465-2516
(802) 338-8495
ryoung7701@icloud.com

Whitney, Judith

From: Colin Osborne <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 03, 2017 6:11 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 3, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Sincerely,

Colin Osborne
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Norwich, VT 05055-9632
(802) 649-3515
colin.osborne@valley.net

Whitney, Judith

From: Barbara Wynroth <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Sunday, June 04, 2017 2:13 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 4, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Please do not cut Energy Efficiency programs, rather increase funds for them.

These programs are a direct easy way to involve and educate the public in the need to protect the environment, save money both for the state and customers.

Thank you

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Larry Anderberg <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Monday, June 05, 2017 11:04 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 5, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Help Vermonters become more efficient, Please.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Roy Prochorchik <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Tuesday, June 06, 2017 6:34 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 6, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

How about addressing the overuse of city lighting, and commercial lighting at night.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: John Hammerslough <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 08, 2017 7:26 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 8, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Dear Public Service Board,

As board members you must be aware how over the last 10 or more years Efficiency VT has saved Vermonters millions of dollars hand helped our states environment and energy costs with their weatherization program and cutting the cost of CFL and LED bulbs as well as several other programs.p

Vermonters even subsidize these programs with a small tax on our electric bill which you must have approved.

Do not cut funds for this very important program.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Jerry Byrd <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 08, 2017 1:39 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 8, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Going to the PSB gatherings in Bennington I have been completely disappointed by the positions that have resulted. Have you decided to at odds with our legislators in achieving 90% renewables by 2050? If you look at the smart countries their goals are more stringent and achieved sooner, so what is going on with you?? Why not enhance efficiency standards like the Scandinavian countries and most of Europe.

I used Efficiency Vermont and Neighbor Works to help me achieve close to net-zero annual power usage. No oil, 2 cords of wood, solar and electric heat pumps that condition the inner environment of our home perfectly. Being on a fixed income this helps my wife and I tremendously in living a participatory life in our community.

In addition because of an elevation drawing for Southshire Community Solar you rejected our certificate of Public Good for phase II even though we had every other possible measure for the elevation and it was exactly the same as phase I. By this rejection you have stalled all the work we have been doing for the past year to bring solar to lower and middle income families here in Bennington. We have been developing relationships with non-profits and donors to make this happen. The 150kW we'd saved for this project are gone without your stamp of approval. The six committee members who have been working voluntarily to make this happen through the 28 members of Southshire Community Solar are stunned. Find another piece of property that works 2 years the last time around and the money that has already been spent. You have no idea how angry I am at you and Scott.

WAKE UP!!

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Rex James <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Friday, June 09, 2017 12:37 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 9, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Energy dollars are dollars exported from Vermont every dollar we spend on Energy it's a dollar leaving the state. Conservation creates jobs in fabrication, distribution and installation of equipment. A win for small business throughout the state

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Peter Dixon <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2017 4:10 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 10, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I believe that energy efficiency is good for the state of Vermont.
Efforts should be made to improve this aspect of public service and budgets should be expanded to accomplish this.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Linda Bailey <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 17, 2017 11:07 AM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 17, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

Vermont should be continuing to invest in energy efficiency as a means of reducing current costs, reducing energy consumption, and reducing carbon emissions. All three of those goals are important to Vermont now, and in the future. Our budgets should take into account the whole picture of what we want to do AND how we want to do it. Efficiency is being smart with the resources we have. Let's be smart.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Deborah Reed-Savory <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2017 6:43 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jun 21, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I agree 100% with the above comments. Please act now. Efficiency budgets need to be supported by all of us.

Sincerely,

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Whitney, Judith

From: Andrew Andersen <bounce@convio.net>
Sent: Saturday, July 01, 2017 9:11 PM
To: PSB - Clerk
Subject: Efficiency Budgets Should Be Increasing

Jul 1, 2017

Vermont Public Service Board

I agree they should be increasing. but, I feel they should available to people, not just businesses.
this would make it easier for people to be able to afford to live here, not just for businesses to operate here.
just a thought.

soooooooooooooo- how about that? a break for people. the businesses make enough money. if people can't afford to live here, what good is the business?

Sincerely,

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