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•LD 1850 - An Act Relating to Energy Storage and the State's Energy Goals  
Neither For Nor Against

Dear Chairperson Lawrence and representative Zeigler and other distinguished members of EUT

My name is Clifford Krolick from Parsonsfield Maine. I have a Bachelor of Science from Ohio State, a certificate in energy and environmental studies from Tufts University.

To move Maine forward on climate, thru DER's (distributed energy resources) Battery storage and regeneration facilities are critically important. The scientific and historical nature of a battery is and always has been a generator of electricity. We already have one company that owns all the wires and transmission lines. CMP has monopolized this feature of our utility.

With the current large increases in electric rates many are experiencing the state should carefully weigh it's options and permitting CMP to Monopolize the generation of electricity through batteries that will most like receive energy through distributed energy resources from local small solar farms and individual suppliers may not be the best option.

CMP has had a clearly defined business model as a transmission utility only. It might be a careless mistake to encourage CMP to add a battery energy generation model to their business.

With current rate disputes, a long series of mishaps, and low customer service ratings, this should give the state serious pause to not reward CMP to control all the battery storage and energy regeneration in our state. This would be a form of financial double dipping. If you think our electrical rates are high now they will be nothing compared to what they could be if we encourage another monopoly ownership of battery energy generation and storage.