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LD 838

Chair Lawrence, Chair Sachs and Fellow Ratepayers on the EUT Committee

I oppose LD 838 An Act to Explore Public Financing and Ownership of Electric Transmission and Distribution Infrastructure

I was amazed when I did not see Seth Berry's name on this bill, but his vision to take over CMP and Versant seems to be still alive and kicking.

Does the march of evil ever cease? As if electricity prices are not high enough, the eminent chair of this committee wants to build brand new T&D systems to replace the existing T&D system, because part-time lawmakers are better at engineering than IOUs are, that is meant to be a joke. This bill must be meant to follow up on "the death of CMP and Versant by a thousand rate hikes" engineered by Democrat led energy policies, many of which were proposed by the "Eminent Chair".

You have changed the mission statement of the PUC to include the "No Greenhouse Gas" clause. Very, very expensive and not achievable. Greenhouse gases from the electric sector are increasing despite the carbon dioxide allowance charges going up.

You invented Net Energy Billing that makes the Maine ratepayers cough up the dough to pay the delivery costs for the injection of weak, inefficient solar power into the distribution system when, in fact, these solar projects should be paying for the use of T&D systems.

You have forced ratepayers to expend their money into the RGGI program that has not lived up to its design to reduce carbon dioxide gas from power plant production.

You have created a market within a market that makes ratepayers pay for paper certificates, disguised by the term "Credit" when the only "Credit" these elite generators can take is more ratepayer money for their own prosperity.

You make the PUC conduct power purchase agreements that add to "Stranded Costs" And now you want to drive the last nail into the coffin of the beleaguered ratepayers by the hostile takeover of the current T&D companies. Have you not done enough already? Are you not entertained by your assault on Maine electric customers yet?

Fool me once, shame on you. Fool me twice, shame on me. I think the Maine people have felt enough shame because you have pulled off so many costly energy programs, you are now the "Champions of Fooling The People" over and over again.

The time to stop this madness is now!

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