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Dear Commissioners UTC,

I am NOT for eliminating Natural Gas and Propane from our options as consumers.

I do not believe doing so makes sense on many levels.

The main point is that the government's reason for doing so isn't based on clear enough evidence that it will make a big difference in the battle against climate change. There has been too much manipulation of the data cited as reasons to stop using these products.

I don't believe the climate as it has been for the last few hundred years is the permanent state it will always be. The climate has been changing for a long time, and will continue to do so whether or not we quit using these two super clean, abundant, and inexpensive fuels.

Thank you for allowing me time to discuss the decarbonization pathways identified in UTC docket U-2021-210553. After analyzing the documents provided by the UTC online, I would urge support of the Alternative Fuels scenario that includes Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) as an alternative fuel source. According to the data provided by SSG, this is the lowest cost and least burdensome pathway forward toward decarbonizing our energy sources. I believe it would be a mistake to fully abandon natural gas as a viable energy source after 2050. Natural gas, and likely RNG in the future, provides "on demand" energy that is either used by households or utilities to generate electricity. Without scaling up RNG or other "on demand" sources like hydropower and nuclear, I fear that intermittent energy sources like solar and wind will fail to produce enough energy for our state's needs. We need to ensure we decarbonize correctly and at the right pace. Making any mistake will be serious, if not deadly.

Sincerely,

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