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House Committee on Climate, Energy, and Environment

Re: House Bill 3003

Dear Chair Representative Marsh, Vice-Chairs Representatives B. Levy and E. Levy, and members of the Committee;

So, the combustion of juniper is to be promoted by HB 3003. But the combustion of other carbonaceous fuels – such as petroleum based fuels is to be impaired. Or curtailed. Because....?

All combustion – including the combustion of juniper—results in the emission of the products of combustion, especially incomplete combustion, which include dioxins.

I can't help but wonder how the sponsors and supporters of HB 3003 reconcile this with the proposed bans on natural gas, LPG, diesel fuel, etc?

And what about the emissions produced from the other 50% of fuel those utilities affected by HB 3003?

I'll hazard the guess that the sponsors and supporters of HB 3003 have jumped on the green bandwagon without thinking this bright idea through.

By *encouraging* utilities to purchase power as described in HB 3003 for the tax break it artificially creates a ready-made market. Again, and this can't be said enough, House Bill 3003, like so many similar bills, is not about Earth's environment. It, like most other *green* legislation, is about who pays and who gets paid.

I urge the Committee to table this bill.

Sincerely,

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