## Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

August 13, 2025

The Honorable Lee M. Zeldin Administrator Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20460

Dear Administrator Zeldin:

We write with concern in response to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) decision to end the Solar for All program, which Congress created in order to help reduce energy costs for families. If EPA rescinds existing, legally obligated grants under this program, New Hampshire will lose \$43.5 million that would have lowered energy bills for Granite State communities who need it most. This unlawful action would directly contradict our shared goal of lowering costs for American households.

In April 2024, EPA approved a partnership between the New Hampshire Department of Energy, New Hampshire Community Loan Fund and New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority (NH Housing) for a \$43.5 million Solar for All grant to fund the state's plan to expand energy supply and lower costs. Beginning in 2025, the Community Loan Fund planned to use this funding to support energy projects for up to 20 resident-owned manufactured home communities. Similarly, NH Housing planned to use this funding to install community solar on workforce housing projects, which would improve housing affordability for working families. The NH Department of Energy, as the lead applicant, planned to expand community energy programs across the state for communities not covered by its partners.

These projects were designed to reduce costs for low-income households and would reduce utility bills for those households by 20 percent or more. The federal funds for this program have already been obligated and received by the state of New Hampshire. In fact, given the clear benefits of these projects, the state has already moved forward with implementing this program, with the state's bipartisan Executive Council voting unanimously to approve the subgrants for NH Housing and the Community Loan Fund. These organizations are already preparing to put this money to work and are incurring costs to do so. By rescinding these grants, the Administration would force costs onto nonprofits and deny low-income households much-needed relief from increasing energy costs.

Unlawfully terminating the Solar for All grants would only lead to chaos at the state agencies and impede New Hampshire's efforts to lower energy costs for working families. We urge you to continue this grant in accordance with the law for the benefit of Granite State communities.

Sincerely,

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