Representative Thomas Golden, Chairman

Joint Committee on Telecommunications,

**Utilities and Energy** 

Room 473B, State House

Boston, MA. 02133

Dear Chairman Golden,

I am a supporter of H2881 An Act to promote energy diversity, of which Representative Patricia A. Haddad is the lead sponsor.

I am very concerned about the cost of electrical rates in the South Eastern Massachusetts area. Here in Somerset we have lost one power plant to a shut down. We are now looking at a likely shut down of a large 1500 megawatt facility in the near future of 2017. The larger power plant when it is taken off line may leave a shortage of electrical power for the New England grid.

I am a believer in new clean energy, such as off shore wind generation of electricity, and hydro power as well. As these older plants are retired, we need to look for new energy sources.

I believe this bill H-2881 will be very beneficial to the South Coast region. The new off shore wind industry will also bring new technology and much needed jobs. This bill would also help us be the leader in our country, to produce off shore wind power for electrical production.

Please pass An Act to promote energy diversity and help us not have to worry about future energy needs. It also will help the economy of the South Coast area.

Sincerely

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