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Paul Decotis
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Dear Mr. Decotis:

I would like to commend you for your service in the effort to convert Long Island to renewable energies and urge you to continue pushing for substantive and near-term progress on that front. I recently was in the position of buying a beautiful new home in the Northport area, but could not make that choice for my wife and three children knowing that it would place them directly under the Northport Power Station's smokestacks. It was saddening to have to block out parts of the North Shore as unsuitable because of environmental and health issues directly related to our power policy. Truly clean energy, like that produced by wind and solar farms is clearly more beneficial to our communities and the effort to convert would undoubtedly become part of an economic resurgence. Please do everything you can to promote a new energy vision for our state, and I thank you again for your efforts to date.

I would welcome a brief response to my request with your vision of the challenges you see and how they might be overcome.

Sincerely,



James White
Resident of Suffolk County, NY