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General Alfred Pollard

Dear General Pollard,

[Please withhold my email and home addresses from the public record.]

I urge the Federal Housing Finance Agency to restore Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) programs that help property owners like me make energy efficiency and renewable energy upgrades to our homes, businesses and factories.

PACE programs save homeowners and businesses money on energy bills, create much needed local jobs, reduce our dependence on coal and other fossil fuels, and cut pollution that harms our health and environment.

By enabling renewable energy and energy efficiency improvements that benefit homeowners and lower utility bills, PACE also reduces default risk and improves home values.

I urge you to withdraw the July 2010 directive that froze PACE programs and allow these programs to move forward. Hundreds of communities in the 27 states that have passed PACE-enabling legislation are counting on your agency to reinstate these programs at a time when we need them most.

P.S.

I have solar power which I decided to install in my home in 2005. The attractive tax credit made it possible for me to do this. What a wonderful program! My home helps to take care of its own energy needs.

My solar power has saved me hundreds of dollars. I probably could not afford my electricity without my solar power. My tax credit lowered my taxes for 2005, and another incentive went towards the cost of installing the solar power which stimulated business for the installer.

Also, the solar power increased the value of my home. Please continue financial programs that stimulate sustainable energy. They help people get the job done for a healthier and greener tomorrow for their homes, for business, and for their communities.

Debbie Baron

Sincerely,

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