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Attention: Lisa Hardie
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Regarding: AR-601 Severe Weather Moratorium

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Dear Commissioners:

Surely Power shut offs have a negative net effect on society in general and should be avoided if at all possible.

People who have lost power will have more problems with their mental and physical health. Their Mental health may decline from the added stress and poor living conditions, causing them to seek treatment. They are more likely to experience hunger and sickness. They will be less resistant to illness, causing them to miss work and be in even worse financial position.

Surely it would be advantageous for power companies to have specialists to help keep customers from losing their power. This will be advantageous in the long run and also in the face of acute financial crisis.

As of this writing, four out of five States already have moratoriums in place. Perhaps it is time we implemented such a moratorium in our state.

Sincerely Yours,


Bill Shulman