

Dear Energy Committee:

I agree with this written message, which I deleted as I'm sure you're aware of what it says. Below are my thoughts regarding the failures due to Isaias. It was worse than Sandy and any actions taken the State back then didn't work in preventing it happening again.

There are serious problems with our power system. The fact that Eversource failed during Isaias is painfully obvious. My first concern is that the company is a monopoly but also have a board of directors. I question where their loyalty lies ... with the board or the consumer? I fear it's the board.

The legislature also failed us with their past actions. Why is PURA not an independent agency? Maybe our power grid should be owned by the people of CT as other states have done successfully.

Why do we have one of the highest rates in the country? We, the people, have no say in the matter and that is wrong. We need to diversify the industry and not rely on a single solution. The public needs to be kept informed on what's going on. We don't need another disaster to recognize that we're not equipped to handle a crisis. This is where the legislative actions have completely failed us. Stop making decisions where we, the people, have no input. Stop asking us to pay for the mistakes. I'm sorry, but most of us are really angry over this and we deserve better from our leaders.

Sincerely,

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