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Subject: FW: Climate Package

From: Kathleen Guinness

Sent: Monday, February 25, 2019 4:55 PM **To:** Theresa Utton <TUTTON@leg.state.vt.us>

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Hello,

I am unable to attend tonight's meeting in Rutland re: the Climate Package. I sincerely wanted to be there, but the wind and snow prediction prohibit my chancing the drive from Poultney.

I, however, do want to speak up for the environment, for the flora and fauna, and our children. I think the weatherization plan is great, as far as it goes, but it just doesn't go very far in a state like ours. So, I recommend at least doubling the amount of funding there is for it. Since emissions are up by 16%, it seems like the right thing to do to keep our fossil fuel usage down.

In line with that, I believe that all of the !8.7 million dollars that are being received from VW should be used for electrification incentives ,charging station infrastructures, and EV public transportation. This money is a gift and should be spent in a positive, pro-active, environmentally friendly way to compensate for the damage already done to the environment.

Thank you for listening. I look forward to hearing all about the wonderful work this package will do. Sincerely, Kathleen Guinness, V.P., Rutland County Audubon Society