



February 21, 2025

Dear Senator Watson:

I would like to respond to a question raised during committee discussion on S.57 that the Standard Offer program does have a price cap which is set by the Public Utility Commission in rules.

It is from the final Public Utility Commission Order on implementation of the Standard Offer program for 2022: <https://vermontstandardoffer.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/Order-Issuing-RFP-2-15-22.pdf>

The Order states:

"As discussed below, I recommend that the Commission establish a solar price cap of \$0.0982 per kWh for use in the 2022 RFP. This would apply to both the Price-Competitive Developer Block and the Provider Block. For establishing the solar price cap, the Department supports the use of the 2021 RFP methodology, which used the average bid prices of the previous year's winning and reserve proposals, with a 15% margin adjustment."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter Sterling".

Peter Sterling, Executive Director  
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