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HOUSE AND SENATE APPROVE LEGISLATION FOR BEACON FALLS GREEN ENERGY PROJECT

State Representative **Theresa Conroy** (D-Seymour, Beacon Falls, Derby) announced House and Senate passage of [SB 394, An Act Concerning Virtual Net Metering and Certain Low Emission Generation Projects](#). The legislation would enable Beacon Falls to benefit from the [Zero Renewable Energy Credit](#) (ZREC) through the state Department of Energy & Environmental Protection (DEEP).

Currently, Beacon Falls is constrained by the virtual net metering cap established in the ZREC program. This means that although ZREC has been such a success for communities around the state, Beacon Falls and other similarly situated municipalities have been left as “stranded towns” – unable to take advantage of the credit.

Rep. **Conroy** said, “The project will allow Beacon Falls to reduce the town’s energy footprint and cut the municipal electric bill. The project could save Beacon Falls more than \$900,000 in municipal electric costs over the next several decades.”

The Beacon Falls solar project would be located adjacent to the community’s public works and water pollution control facilities.

“Beacon Falls deserves access to these ZREC credits. When you have a clean energy project that saves residents money and benefits the environment, it should receive state assistance,” said state Senator **Joe Crisco** (D-Woodbridge).