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General Alfred Pollard

Dear General Pollard,

[Please withhold my email and home addresses from the public record.]

Residents of Montgomery County, MD were thrilled when the County Council passed a PACE program, providing an important means both to slow climate change and to help homeowners afford payments for efficient and sustainable energy systems. We were deeply disappointed when FHFA declined to support this initiative.

I therefore urge the Federal Housing Finance Agency to return to its position of support for Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) programs.

You are well aware of the boon PACE can be to local job creation, as well as the twin goals of reducing our fossil fuel use and our dependence on unreliable energy suppliers.

For those reasons, I urge you to withdraw the July 2010 directive that froze PACE programs and allow these programs to move forward. Hundreds of communities in the 27 states that have passed PACE-enabling legislation are counting on your agency to reinstate these programs at a time when we need them most.

Sincerely,

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