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To: !FHFA REG-COMMENTS  
Subject: RIN 2590-AA53 - Restore PACE programs now

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General Alfred Pollard

Dear General Pollard,

\*\*\*Our country has a vital national interest in increasing energy efficiency. FHFA is guilty of outright insubordination against the Administration's policy objectives in denying the use of PACE for properties financed by FHFA-overseen GSE's. You must withdraw the July 2010 directive and urge that PACE programs be implemented as widely as possible in properties that that your agencies are financing, as your contribution to the national security of the United States, which depends on cutting our electricity use.\*\*\*

I urge the Federal Housing Finance Agency to restore Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) programs that help property owners like me make energy efficiency and renewable energy upgrades to our homes, businesses and factories.

PACE programs save homeowners and businesses money on energy bills, create much needed local jobs, reduce our dependence on coal and other fossil fuels, and cut pollution that harms our health and environment.

By enabling renewable energy and energy efficiency improvements that benefit homeowners and lower utility bills, PACE also reduces default risk and improves home values.

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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