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## NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSUMERS WARNED ABOUT MISLEADING EMAILS

**Concord, N.H.** The New Hampshire Department of Energy is warning electric utility customers about misleading emails being sent to New Hampshire businesses. Businesses report receiving an email from either Vincent James or Joshua Messina who claim to be working with the Department of Energy among other organizations. The emails claim that Mr. James or Mr. Messina can help a business with energy programs available through the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act/Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and also help drop the business's energy supply rate.

"Mr. James, Mr. Messina, and their organization are not affiliated with or working with the Department of Energy," stated Joshua Elliott, Policy and Programs Division Director. "In addition, neither Mr. James, nor Mr. Messina, nor the organizations they purports to be affiliated with in their emails are authorized to do business in New Hampshire as third-party energy suppliers or aggregators."

Any New Hampshire business interested in learning about federal funding opportunities coming out of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act/Bipartisan Infrastructure Law or the Inflation Reduction Act should visit the Department of Energy's website - <u>https://www.energy.nh.gov/rules-and-regulatory/funding</u>. Consumers interested in saving money on the energy supply portion of their electric bill can review information on choosing a third party energy supplier, including a comparison shopping page with the product offerings and prices available, on the Department's website: <u>https://www.energy.nh.gov/consumers/choosing-energy-supplier</u>.

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