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**Sent:** Wednesday, September 08, 2010 11:13 PM  
**To:** Mayor  
**Cc:** David Lutes; Andrea Ranger  
**Subject:** Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change  
Dear Mayor Curtatone and Staff:

I have worked closely with David Lutes and Somerville's Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change (CEUCC) since June 2009. Recently, two long-serving Commission member respectfully resigned their positions. I would like to apply for one of the open positions on the Commission.

As a volunteer member of the Commission, I have had the opportunity to participate in CEUCC monthly meetings, provide input on City decisions related to energy use and climate, and assist in efforts to secure state and federal grants. I have a great deal of respect for the Commission and its work and would like to continue on in a more formal role. Somerville is a clear leader in clean energy and climate issues, and I would like to provide my assistance and support to the City.

My professional experience has been largely focused on issues of renewable energy, energy use in buildings, and state energy policy. As a Project Manager for the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center, I am the program manager of the the Commonwealth's small wind rebate program as well as its Green Schools Initiative. I also co-manage MassCEC's Community Scale Wind grant program, which provides approximately \$8 Million in grants annually. Prior to my current position at MassCEC, I was a Senior Engineer for the energy consulting company KEMA, where I provided technical expertise on developing renewable energy projects, designed state energy efficiency programs, and evaluated energy grant programs.

In addition to my professional experience, I am an active volunteer with EarthSpark International, a non-profit that focuses on initiating sustainable, distributed renewable and clean energy development in Haiti. At EarthSpark, I am the lead technical analyst and provide guidance on renewable energy use as well as run trainings for Haitian technicians on installing solar products. Prior to my work with EarthSpark, I served as a departmental representative in graduate school and as a chapter co-organizer for a non-profit focused on fighting climate change.

I look forward to the opportunity to serve on Somerville's Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change. I believe CEUCC plays an important role in supporting the strong and progressive leadership of Somerville. I would like to volunteer my time and efforts as a formal member of CEUCC and assist the City of Somerville in its admirable efforts to pursue a sustainable city.

Thank you for your time and consideration. My resume is attached. Please contact me if you have any questions or would like to talk further about my application to CEUCC.

Best,  
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