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To the Minneapolis Public Utilities Commission,

My name is John Pedersen and I own a home in Brooklyn Park and I am a CenterPoint customer. I also work in Minneapolis as Director of Community Outreach at a Lutheran Church. My comments are for Docket #21-377.

As a homeowner of an older home and a parent with a small child, this could help us personally make some improvements that would make our house more efficient and make it financially feasible for us to do so. We have done a number of things to make an environmental impact but some bigger options do not seem possible under the current system.

For my career, I am a director of Community Outreach at a church in south Minneapolis. Daily, I see the ways inequities in our system negatively impact people's lives. Most people don't have access to these upgrades, especially renters. Inclusive financing could change that in our city.

I am writing to urge the commission to approve the City of Minneapolis's proposal to create a pilot Inclusive Financing program through CenterPoint Energy's billing system to make it truly inclusive. I support a Pay as you Save program with no \$100 upfront cost, that explores a capital source with less than 8% interest and that utilizes a program long investment ceiling instead of a yearly investment ceiling.

I feel that inclusive financing just makes sense. It has the ability to help with the climate crisis and provide equitable energy access. I urge the board to pass this program and show Minnesotans that they matter and that this is important. Thank you for your consideration.

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