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### **Senator Anne Gobi Announces Municipal Energy Technical Assistance Grant for Petersham and Rutland**

**BOSTON** – Senator Anne M. Gobi (D-Spencer) is happy to announce that she has been informed by the Baker-Polito Administration, along with Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) Secretary Matthew Beaton and Department of Energy Resources (DOER) Commissioner Judith Judson that the towns of Petersham and Rutland will be receiving Municipal Energy Technical Assistance Grants in the amount of \$12,500. Both grant awards will be used for ground photovoltaic systems.

“I want to congratulate the towns of Petersham and Rutland for being awarded these important grants,” said Sen. Gobi. “Assisting municipalities achieve renewable energy will lead to smaller bills and a cleaner Commonwealth. I want to commend the Baker-Polito administration for their commitment to renewable resources.”

DOER’s Municipal Energy Technical Assistance (META) grants are awarded to Massachusetts municipalities, regional school districts, and water/wastewater districts. META grants fund the services of expert consultants and contractors to aid in the negotiation and management of projects, or the performance of studies to support the development of energy projects.

According to the Baker administration, the projects and studies funded this round will support the performance of solar photovoltaic site evaluation, heating system replacements, ASHRAE Level II audits, and technical analysis of energy use at drinking water and wastewater facilities.

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