

WARRANT ARTICLE 51

Warrant Article 51– Concord’s Energy Goals

To determine whether the Town, informed by the Paris Climate Agreement of 2015, will vote:

- (a) to align the energy goals of the Town of Concord with the Massachusetts Global Warming Solutions Act of 2008 to achieve a minimum 25% town-wide reduction in Green House Gas (GHG) emissions by 2020 and an 80% reduction by 2050 from the baseline established in 2008; and
- (b) by 2030, as an intermediate goal, to urge CMLP to reduce GHG emissions of its power supply portfolio and to offset any residual GHG emissions of its electricity supply through the purchase of RECs or other offsets, with the understanding that this may increase the cost of energy purchased by CMLP and may require increases in electric rates;

and further, to determine whether the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from funds available in the Treasury, the sum of \$100,000, or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Town Manager for the purpose of engaging one or more consultants for the purpose of developing and making publicly available an operational plan to achieve said goals;

and further, to determine whether the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$100,000, or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Town Manager for the purpose of hiring a Director of Energy (or other title), on an on-going basis, to be accountable to the Town Manager for recommending policy and measuring progress toward meeting these goals and implementing the operational plan, as well as tracking and assessing new energy technologies and funding opportunities, or take any other action relative thereto.