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My name is Kelly DeVine. I am a resident of Port Jefferson Village. I am in favor of the public power option for two reasons: 1. PSEG has not performed up to the necessary standards and may have even misled LIPA and the public about their activities and 2. a public power model may prove to be a better vehicle for rethinking our power infrastructure as we transition from fossil fuels to renewables. We need different incentive structures and different considerations to meet the challenges of climate change. The private power partnership with its incentives for creating steady returns for its investors had its place, but now we need to consider distributed power, resilient grids and ways to transition from fossil fuels to renewables post haste. I have a friend in California who installed solar panels and battery storage. she never even notices when the grid goes down until one of her neighbors dependent on the grid comes knocking, attracted by the lights on at my friends house while all those around her are in the dark. It's past time for a new approach and relationship to power that is centered on resilience, conservation and renewables.