

**Buyout Committee Vote
February 28,2007**

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Members of Committee

Stop Now

**Present to
Washington**

Comments

Geoffrey Smith

Yes

Supports the concept but has concerns about some of the specifics. The issue should be discussed with Congressional staff in Washington.

Environmental groups should be invited to attend the meetings.

Barbara Stevenson

Yes

Supports the concept of a buyout but not the preferred alternative. Given the results of the questionnaire the committee has an obligation to take it to Wash.

Peter Kendall

Yes

Nothing to loose by asking for funding

Vito Giacalone

Stop

NESC polled members and they said stop, concern about the leasing market and raising false expectations. Concern about disconnect between a buyout formula and a new allocation formula in amendment 16. Doesn't think it affordable and cost effective at this time

John Pappalardo

Stop

Supports the concept but not this program at this time. Thinks there may be an opportunity to move forward on a program by linking it to a Council management action

and the pending disaster request from Mass.

Carlos Raphael

Stop

Opposed to program at this time. Concern about disconnect between buyout formula and new allocation formula, concerned about individual repayment, no assurance it will work. Support if gov't financed.

Bob Lane

Yes

Should at least ask for funding, nothing to lose by asking. This is the only solution which deals with the capacity problem.

Phil Rhule

Yes

Obligation to the industry to take it to the next step and ask Washington for funding and support. Keep option alive in case 2008 cut is worse than expected

Greg DiDiminico

Yes

Supports talking to Washington but will leave the final decision to majority view in NE.