



Maine Songwriter Releases Music Video Advocating The Consumer Owned Utility Ballot Initiative

Belfast, ME – Songwriter Sara Trunzo dropped her latest [single](#) and [music video](#), 'Taking My Power Back,' a creation inspired by the collective voice of Maine citizens during the May 2021 LD 1708 hearings. These hearings marked a pivotal moment in Maine's consideration of the consumer-owned utility [Pine Tree Power](#), which in just a few days Maine will be voting on.

[Trunzo](#)'s connection to issues surrounding food access and hunger relief led her to the forefront of the Yes on Question 3 campaign, drawn by the potential of a model that could revolutionize a system impacting the lives of working households. ***"Stories from Mainers grappling with the cost, transparency, service, and environmental effects of the current utility have been profoundly moving to hear," says Trunzo, emphasizing the song's role in amplifying rural narratives.***

'Taking My Power Back,' expertly produced and mixed by Nashville-based Rachael Moore, is accompanied by a music video conceived, filmed, and edited by Phoebe Parker, and features actor Leslie Stein with animations by visual artist Calla King-Clements – all Maine-based talents.

Trunzo's advocacy extends to the heart of the matter - Pine Tree Power. PTP seeks to establish a publicly owned utility that will acquire assets from Central Maine Power and Versant Power, entities responsible for distributing 97% of the state's electricity. This initiative represents a significant opportunity for Maine residents to reclaim ownership of their power grid which is hugely unreliable, expensive, and owned by foreign entities.

With Pine Tree Power, Mainers can expect:

- Local control over their power grid
- Affordable rates and programs that will keep the lights on in hard times
- A reliable grid that is continually reinvested in and maintained
- Clean energy transition and a climate-ready grid

As Maine voters prepare to weigh in on eight statewide referendums on Nov. 7, Question 3 is a critical initiative. Pine Tree Power offers a chance to reshape the energy landscape in Maine, influencing factors that impact quality of life for countless households. With a total campaign contribution of almost \$40 million from the opposition, contrasted with just over \$1 million from proponents, the financial divide underscores the significance of this decision.

For information, questions, or interview requests, visit pinetreepower.org or email Pine Tree Power's Campaign Manager Al Cleveland at al@ourpowermaine.org

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[Pine Tree Power](#) is a grassroots coalition with members all the way from the coasts to the County. We are fighting for a utility that is owned and run by Mainers, for Mainers. By voting out CMP and Versant, we will bring back local control, save money, and reduce outages. It's time to build power we can trust.
