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ATTN: Gary Witterburg: RMC proposal against clean energy

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Dear Mr. Witterburg,

Please share this information with the Commissioners who are hearing the RMC request to apply unfair surcharge to homes that use roof-top solar.

I use the following letter which has more facts than I had. RMC's propoganda trys to divide the customers one against the other. Such disingenuous talk is a clear indicator that the request has no merit on the facts.

Thank you.

Peace.

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Jeff Hymas:

I was shocked —and angry— to read your statement "[Fairness to Customers: It's the Rocky Mountain Power Way](#)" on RMP's website.

There is nothing "fair" at all about charging solar homeowners more for infrastructure costs than other customers. We ALL pay for whatever we actually USE. If RMP needs more revenue for "fixed" infrastructure costs, and you can justify that increase to the Utah Public Utilities Commission, that fee should be EQUAL for ALL customers, no matter what steps they are taking to conserve energy —be it with LEDs, energy efficient appliances, programmed thermostats, or solar panels.

You know as well as I that accusing solar homeowners of not paying their "fair share" is blatantly false, a deceitful exaggeration to divide-and-conquer via a "class warfare" tactic among consumers.

RMP charges infrastructure costs via its rate-per-kWh for any and all electricity flowing into AND out of a solar home. You then simply credit solar homeowners for the excess kWh by day that equals the electricity

they use at night —and rightfully so, since that excess, pollution-free power has cost you NOTHING for fuel and power generation. If they generate even more in the day than they use at night? You SELL the difference to their neighbors for pure profit, even though it cost you nothing to produce. And to add insult to injury, if there are accumulated credits at the end of March every year, you confiscate them and zero out the tally!

Shame on you for not telling the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

I would invite you to read these FAQs with the actual, verifiable facts about solar and your grid, and then tell me specifically where there are factual errors:

Frequently Asked Questions

And here is my response to your "explanation":

Fossil Foolishness

The icing on the cake is that you know very well that solar homeowners are helping you clean up your dirty, fossil fuel act with zero-emission, renewable energy —a path that Rocky Mountain Power should have started down decades ago! With the air quality in Utah now garnering headlines as the "worst in the nation," how can you NOT be embarrassed to try to target the very people who are setting a better example with penalty surcharges?

I am deeply disappointed to see that Rocky Mountain Power would cater to EEI's and ALEC's political agenda rather than be honest and forthright with its customers.

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