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To Whom It May Concern, Utah Public Service Commission:

I oppose Rocky Mountain Power's request to charge a monthly fee to residential customers who install rooftop solar power. Net-metering with rooftop solar installations is one of the key ways that consumers in the Salt Lake valley can reduce global warming, foster energy independence for the US, improve air quality on the Wasatch front, address their personal energy needs, and proactively ensure that our community has the power it needs in the future. As such, energy policy should *encourage* homeowners to install solar power, not penalize them. I do not accept the utility company argument that rooftop solar installations create wear and tear on the system or that net-meter customers get access to the power grid for free at the expense of other customers. To the contrary, rooftop solar installations help alleviate the need to build more power plants and may help reduce stress on the grid.

I respectfully request that the Utah Public Service Commission reject Rocky Mountain Power's request for a monthly fee for their residential customers that install rooftop solar power.

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