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Dear Commissioner,

I respectfully ask that you deny Rocky Mountain Power's request for a rate increase for solar power generations like me.

My family offsets about half of my electricity usage with photovoltaic modules on my garage roof for the following reasons:

- We want to decrease our reliance on coal the dirtiest of all electricity sources. If anything causes us to more from the valley, it will be our poor air quality.
- We want to reduce our dependence on "tracking" for natural gas. We don't believe that a resource that required millions of years to create should be extracted within the span of a single generation.
- We want to protect ourselves somewhat against future energy costs as I look toward retirement.
- We want others to see our clean installation and learn of our savings and decide for themselves to install a similar system.
- We want the advantages of new "battery-less" backup technologies, to be able to cool our food and charge our communications gear when the grid fails.

We can't understand why Rocky Mountain Power would want to charge us more, for the following reasons:

- We generate electricity during the hours of peak demand, delaying Rocky Mountain Power's need to add more power plants.
- Our electricity, if not used within our own premises, travels to our neighbors' homes, offsetting the capacity of power lines that are often strained during summer heat. Yes, we are paid for that excess generation by RMP (up to a point).
- With national press attention to our dirty air, we don't understand why Rocky Mountain Power wants to bring negative attention to itself by attacking cleaner energies.

Thank you for your consideration, Scott Kisling Kathleen Kingston 2409 Lynwood Drive Salt Lake City, UT 84109

cc. Mayor Ben McAdams Mayor Ralph Becker Councilman Lisa Adams