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## Comments on Docket 13-035-184

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In looking at two of the email comments I realize that there must be a canned letter out there. However, I will write my own.

I am in opposition to Rocky Mountain Power's proposed fee increase of \$4.25 on homeowners that use solar power - it is a fine/penalty/tax - call it what you would like. These individuals are paying a substantial amount of money to have solar added to their homes to save money in the long term as well as the environment. As the pollution along the Wasatch Front increases again we need more clean energy sources. Rocky Mountain Power has many sources for electricity generation such as coal, gas, wind, geothermal, biomass.... but no solar other than what they buy from customers. As I do not have solar panels on my roof, I willingly pay a little extra for their Blue Sky Program to encourage renewable energy investment. However, most of their power generation is from coal which is NOT a clean or renewable energy source.

Rocky Mountain Power used to support the addition of solar power to individuals and businesses. In a 2013 brochure they brag: ([https://www.rockymountainpower.net/content/dam/pacificorp/doc/CCCom\\_Update/2013/April\\_13/RMP\\_UT\\_ConservationReport\\_F\\_no\\_crops.pdf](https://www.rockymountainpower.net/content/dam/pacificorp/doc/CCCom_Update/2013/April_13/RMP_UT_ConservationReport_F_no_crops.pdf))

"Since 2007, we've offered incentives to encourage Utahns to install solar panels on their homes and businesses. Our program was expanded to offer \$50 million more in incentives through 2017. This year, a lottery process selected more than 340 Utah customers to receive incentives toward 6.5 megawatts of solar capacity."

So what has changed? yea, its the money.

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