



re Docket Number 13-035-184 - Rocky Mtn Power Proposed Rate Increase

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I'm writing to ask that the Public Service Commission reject Rocky Mountain Power's proposed monthly charge to rooftop solar homeowners.

Rooftop solar systems benefit not only the owner of the structure they supply, but the entire community, by making additional power available for purchase at peak usage periods. They also allow the power company to postpone construction of new power generation facilities. These benefits may outweigh the cost to Rocky Mountain Power of providing backup to solar users during low solar generating periods.

I believe Rocky Mountain Power's status as a protected entity obligates them to act for the general good. They should welcome and encourage research ways to reduce energy costs to customers rather than increase them. Rather than discouraging movement from electricity generated using finite resources, Rocky Mountain Power should encourage those who research and invest in renewable energy sources, and formulate future energy expansion that encourages the use of alternative sources of energy. Additionally, they should encourage any and all means to reduce (or to improve) the poor air quality that exists in Utah during most months of the year.

I join those calling upon the Public Service Commission to reject Rocky Mountain Power's proposed rate increase, and to authorize a thorough analysis of the costs and benefits of rooftop solar by an independent, neutral agency.

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