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L. Irene Terry <irene.terry@utah.edu> To: psc@utah.gov Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 9:43 AM

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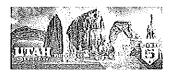
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RE: Referral for RMP Solar Tax Comment

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chris.j.raemer@I-3com.com <chris.j.raemer@I-3com.com> To: psc@utah.gov Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 9:39 AM

Good morning, I wanted to follow up on this as I wasn't sure what the legislation/RMP are still pursuing on this. Can you comment?

Thank you,

Chris

From: Raemer, Chris J @ CSG - CSW Sent: Monday, July 13, 2015 12:32 PM To: 'PublicService Commission' Subject: RE: Referral for RMP Solar Tax Comment

Thank you. I'm not sure of the docket however it seems right. Whatever has been on the news lately is the one I'm targeting.

I have concern in why solar panels are the only targeted technology by RMP. There are many facets of a home which contribute to lower energy bills. Insulation investment greatly reduces the needs, quality in windows, design of the home and external materials drive passive solar loading along with landscaping design. Why not go after these as well? All contribute to lower energy bills and to similar effect as panels as in the end we're talking about efficiencies and materials which reduce power usage. The gas company isn't calling me to pay a fee due to me having solar hot water, so why should panels or other energy saving approaches be targeted? Gas company has lines run in the ground just like the power company. What if I use candles and shut off my solar panels, which would reduce my power use so my bill is same as it is currently with solar assist. Would I then also be billed a fee just because I have a net meter installed even though not producing? On paper the same size home would have the same power bill, except one home has solar assist and one uses candles. This unfairly discriminates against panel users who are trying to do a better part for the world and already incurred significant costs for procurement/installation? Meter costs more, connection fee is more to the user while RMP cost is same. Really struggling to see how other residential users without solar are footing the bill for those of us with solar. I produce for the grid if I don't use what I produce, which RMP gets to manage however they see fit and sell at higher rates if they want based on time of day, but I suppose I can't charge a fee for my over-production to RMP when this occurs, I just get a use or lose credit on a yearly basis with no carry over.

Very discouraging with the water and energy conservation efforts needed to sustain our society this approach is being proposed, which will deter others from doing the planet good.

Thanks, Chris

From: laurieharris@utah.gov [mailto:laurieharris@utah.gov] On Behalf Of PublicService Commission Sent: Monday, July 13, 2015 11:55 AM To: Raemer, Chris J @ CSG - CSW Subject: Re: Referral for RMP Solar Tax Comment

Chris,

You are welcome to submit a comment to this email address. I believe you are referring to Docket No. 14-035-114 before the Commission. Once you submit a comment regarding this docket, it will be processed and become part of the docket, as well as being reviewed by the commissioners. Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

Laurie Harris Wirz

Public Service Commission of Utah

160 E 300 S, 4th Floor

SLC, UT 84111

801-530-6716

psc@utah.gov

On Mon, Jul 13, 2015 at 11:50 AM, <chris.j.raemer@l-3com.com> wrote:

Good morning. Who might I direct a comment in response to RMP's proposed solar user fee?

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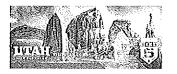
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bmidgley@gmail.com>

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To: jordanwhite@utah.gov

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Eliminating net metering is anti-consumer and should not be considered as good policy.

Rooftop solar provides consumers choices in energy.

Rooftop solar creates local Utah jobs.

Rooftop solar provides for these things today, not in a gradual and unpredictable future transition envisioned by RMP.

Support us as consumers by denying the request to eliminate net metering and any future moves to eliminate choices and jobs in Utah.

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Brad Midgley





Public Comment to Docket No. 15-035-04

1 message

Barbara Wise <sierra@sierraclub.org> Reply-To: Barbara Wise <wise4755@msn.com> To: Utah Public Service Commission <psc@utah.gov>

Wed, Sep 9, 2015 at 5:06 PM

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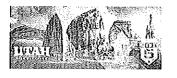
PacifiCorp's 20-year plan is deeply flawed as it continues to rely heavily on fossil fuels and does not include a utility funded increase in renewable energy sources. I am very disappointed that PacifiCorp is planning to spend an estimated \$1 billion or more on pollution controls to prolong the life of over a dozen aging coal smokestacks, and keep Utah hooked on dirty and increasingly expensive coal-fired energy for many years. There are cleaner, safer, and less risky alternatives.

It is time for PacifiCorp to come clean and acknowledge the true cost of coal, including the economic costs of pollution controls and the human cost of public health and well-being. I do not want my energy dollars spent to prop up aging coal plants. I urge the Commission to critically evaluate PacifiCorp's long range plan and have them commit to an orderly and expeditious transition to clean energy, investing in the abundant and affordable renewable energy resources in Utah.

My support of Blue Sky is over if you are not going to be serious about clean energy.

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Ms. Barbara Wise 4755 S Pin Tail Ct Salt Lake City, UT 84117-4930 wise4755@msn.com



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1 message

Jordan White <jordanwhite@utah.gov> To: PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov> Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 1:05 PM

------ Forwarded message ------From: Teresa Clawson <teresa.clawson@utah.edu> Date: Thursday, September 10, 2015 Subject: Support rooftop solar in docket # 14-035-114 To: jordanwhite@utah.gov

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David Clark <drexclark@utah.gov> To: PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov> Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 2:57 PM

------ Forwarded message ------From: **Teresa Clawson** <teresa.clawson@utah.edu> Date: Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 12:19 PM Subject: Support rooftop solar in docket # 14-035-114 To: drexclark@utah.gov

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David Clark <drexclark@utah.gov> To: PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov> Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 3:26 PM

------ Forwarded message ------From: L. Irene Terry <irene.terry@utah.edu> Date: Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 9:43 AM Subject: Support rooftop solar in docket # 14-035-114 To: drexclark@utah.gov

Dear Commissioner Clark,

Rocky Mountain Power has requested that Utah eliminate net metering, and allow RMP to levy charges on those households who have solar panels. This company wants to keep rooftop/photovolatic solar systems from helping the environment and keep our choices for renewal energy from increasing.

Solar systems allows customers to have some choice in the source of energy that we use. Having net metering helps customers to invest in solar energy.

Therefore, I urge you not to allow RMP to impose unpredictable and unsubstantiated charges on solar customers. I urge you not to let Utah be the first to eliminate net metering. Solar helps keep energy rates low, and may help environment. Solar will and has brought jobs to Utah.

Sincerely,

L. Irene Terry



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1 message

David Clark <drexclark@utah.gov> To: PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov> Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 3:47 PM

------ Forwarded message ------From: Mark Ostler <Mostler@fiber.netk> Date: Wed, Sep 9, 2015 at 3:13 PM Subject: Support rooftop solar in docket # 14-035-114 To: drexclark@utah.gov

Dear Commissioner Clark,

Please do not change the rules.

Sincerely,

Mark Ostler



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1 message

David Clark <drexclark@utah.gov> To: PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov> Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 3:47 PM

------ Forwarded message ------From: Marianne Nolte <mnolte@continue.utah.edu> Date: Wed, Sep 9, 2015 at 3:27 PM Subject: Support rooftop solar in docket # 14-035-114 To: drexclark@utah.gov

Dear Commissioner Clark,

Please support policies that encourage solar energy. This includes not charging fees to solar customers, and investing in solar technology for the whole state.

In a state that struggles to have clean air, reliance on coal plants is outdated and unhealthy. Coal is a limited resource, while solar is renewable. Solar power also attracts jobs in the growing green sector. Finally, solar power allows Utahns a choice in their energy providers.

Please allow citizens of this state the opportunity for cleaner and more sustainable energy choices. Please support solar.

Sincerely,

Marianne Nolte



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1 message

David Clark <drexclark@utah.gov> To: PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov> Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 3:46 PM

----- Forwarded message -----From: Justin Steiger <67comet@gmail.com> Date: Wed, Sep 9, 2015 at 3:55 PM Subject: Support rooftop solar in docket # 14-035-114 To: drexclark@utah.gov

Dear Commissioner Clark,

I no longer make enough money to install Solar as it stands. I do intend to move my home to Solar (if not completely, then mostly) in the future. By supporting Docket 14-035-114, it will secure my future in moving to a cleaner more affordable method of powering my home for me and my family.

I understand that moving to Solar makes Rocky Mountain Power apprehensive about the future of their company, but it also secures my family's future. Putting food on the table, clothes on my kids and paying for college in the not to far off future.

Every little bit helps, and letting the already very profitable utility companies continue to charge and change charges when we as customers shop around (for example; installing solar or wind power on our homes), makes growth as an individual difficult if not impossible in some cases (for instance, my income dropped substantially when I retired, my power bills are now a large part of my budget).

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,

Justin Steiger



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1 message

David Clark <drexclark@utah.gov> To: PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov> Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 3:42 PM

----- Forwarded message ------From: Brad Midgley <bmidgley@gmail.com> Date: Wed, Sep 9, 2015 at 4:47 PM Subject: Support rooftop solar in docket # 14-035-114 To: drexclark@utah.gov

Dear Commissioner Clark,

Eliminating net metering is anti-consumer and should not be considered as good policy.

Rooftop solar provides consumers choices in energy.

Rooftop solar creates local Utah jobs.

Rooftop solar provides for these things today, not in a gradual and unpredictable future transition envisioned by RMP.

Support us as consumers by denying the request to eliminate net metering and any future moves to eliminate choices and jobs in Utah.

Sincerely,

Brad Midgley



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1 message

David Clark <drexclark@utah.gov> To: PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov> Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 3:41 PM

------ Forwarded message ------From: Mark Gardiner <mg@xmission.com> Date: Wed, Sep 9, 2015 at 5:15 PM Subject: Support rooftop solar in docket # 14-035-114 To: drexclark@utah.gov

Dear Commissioner Clark,

We know where the world is going as rapidly as we can for the benefit of all living beings and generations unborn.

Support Rooftop Solar. It's the right thing to do.

Sincerely,

Mark Gardiner



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1 message

David Clark <drexclark@utah.gov> To: PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov> Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 3:41 PM

------ Forwarded message ------From: **David Crow** <midnytethunder@gmail.com> Date: Wed, Sep 9, 2015 at 5:25 PM Subject: Support rooftop solar in docket # 14-035-114 To: drexclark@utah.gov

Dear Commissioner Clark,

Unless you are going to force RMP to pay me for the nearly 1000 KWH excess (Yes, MEGA WATT) I generate every year at market rate. You need to put a stop to their greed and end this Solar Taxation NOW. They are already making money hand over fist selling the power I generate to the citizens of Salt Lake City.

Sincerely,

David Crow



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1 message

David Clark <drexclark@utah.gov> To: PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov> Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 4:05 PM

------ Forwarded message ------From: **john herbst** <jrandallherbst@gmail.com> Date: Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 4:05 PM Subject: Support rooftop solar in docket # 14-035-114 To: drexclark@utah.gov

Dear Commissioner Clark,

Clean Renewable Energy is the Way of the Future!

Sincerely,



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john herbst <jrandallherbst@gmail.com> To: tlevar@utah.gov Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 4:05 PM

Dear Chairman LeVar,

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john herbst <jrandallherbst@gmail.com> To: psc@utah.gov Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 4:05 PM

Dear PSC Staff,

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Thad Levar <tlevar@utah.gov> To: PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov> Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 4:29 PM

------ Forwarded message ------From: **john herbst** <jrandallherbst@gmail.com> Date: Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 4:05 PM Subject: Support rooftop solar in docket # 14-035-114 To: tlevar@utah.gov

Dear Chairman LeVar,

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Jordan White <jordanwhite@utah.gov> To: PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov> Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 4:20 PM

------ Forwarded message ------From: john herbst <jrandallherbst@gmail.com> Date: Thursday, September 10, 2015 Subject: Support rooftop solar in docket # 14-035-114 To: jordanwhite@utah.gov

Dear Commissioner White,

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