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## Solar power

1 message

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**Linda Stettler** <lstettler@msn.com>  
To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:21 PM

We are completely opposed to RMP's proposed rate increase that would kill solar power in Utah. We do not think you should have complete power over options for people and ways to save on power.

Your Greedy and have no right to control. We will fight to the end to save solar and have a choice.

To the Utah Public Services Commission: We the Stettler's oppose your RMP's proposed rate increase.... There should be choices and not only yours. This is America, free to choose!!!!

Thank you kindly,

Linda Stettler and Fred Stettler  
Layton, Utah 84040



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## Solar energy

1 message

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**Cherri Frandsen** <tickage@icloud.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:24 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

To whom it may concern,

We are trying to do our part to use clean energy and we spent a lot of money on solar panels to do that and we would hope you don't take that opportunity away from us or others who want to use solar energy as an opportunity.

If Rocky Mountain power wants to boost their business they can use solar but we shouldn't be penalized for trying to find a better power option. When dvd's came out, the vcr companies didn't get to try to penalize or shut them down.

Please stop the action set for the 9th of December. It isn't fair to the conscious consumer trying to use solar energy.

Thank you for your time,  
Cherri and Dave frandsen

Sent from my iPhone



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## Rocky Mountain Power/Solar Panel Relationship

1 message

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**James Eck** <torbekenhai@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:24 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Commission,

I have heard that Rocky Mountain Power is proposing changes to how their relationship with people using solar panels is defined. I wanted to say something on the subject because when I was approached by solar companies I saw pretty quickly that solar panels had the potential to save me a lot of money, however, after looking into it I realized that this savings could only happen because I was relying on the power company to be my battery completely on my terms.

I saw two problems with relying on the power company this way. First, it seemed immoral that my savings were coming from exploiting the power company in a way that was only harmful to them (not to mention needing the tax credit). If I were to harm the power company's bottom line in this way, I would also be indirectly passing the cost of my electricity onto my neighbors. Furthermore, if my neighbors and I all install solar panels, under the current relationship the power company goes out of business and we all only have electricity during summer days. It was readily apparent that this relationship was wrong, because if everyone took advantage of it it would fail catastrophically.

Second, I was not willing to put my energy savings in the hands of a body being harmed by them. When evaluating the possibility of getting solar panels, I realized the investment would come back to bite me if the relationship was ever changed, and that the power company had a big stake in getting the relationship changed since they were being harmed by it. I did not like the risk that implied.

In conclusion, I feel for those people who were drawn into buying solar panels by the solar companies with the promise of this relationship. However, I believe the power companies should have the power to largely define these relationships as they can be deeply harmful to the power company, who have no say in accepting the contract. The solar panel owners had the same information that I had when they chose to enter this parasitic relationship and I am more sympathetic to the power company who are in this relationship involuntarily.

James Eck



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## Rocky Mountain Power's attempt to destroy private solar

1 message

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**Syd Griffiths** <valleytank@cut.net>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:24 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

PSC

I would like to express my strong objection to Rocky Mountain Power's attempt to destroy the solar power industry in Utah through their proposal for exorbitant fees to be levied against the homeowners who have invested in clean solar energy equipment to provide a portion of their electric power needs.

In the first place, RMP's practice of zeroing out the homeowner's positive balance of kilowatt hours to be used ostensibly for RMP's low income assistance efforts should be a sufficient contribution for the homeowner. The homeowner cannot possibly benefit under that practice; it's like the dealer's advantage in the game of blackjack. If there is a positive balance in their account at the March billing cycle, RMP takes it without reimbursement.

So when RMP wants to add additional predatory fees just for the privilege of being connected to the monopoly's grid, it will likely make it impossible for the homeowner to ever amortize the cost of the solar equipment. RMP destroyed the solar industry in Nevada through this kind of unwarranted charges. Will you allow them to do so in Utah as well?

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## Please DENY Rocky Mountain Power's recently filed a proposal on Solar Energy

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**Michael Bard** <mdbard@me.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:25 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Rocky Mountain Power has recently filed a proposal to change the rules and rates that apply to residential solar customers. The rule would apply to new systems permitted by a date still to be determined. The new rate structure is so disadvantageous to solar that it is sure to arrest Utah's strong solar growth. I believe this an unjust proposal on the part of Rocky Mountain Power (RMP).

I believe the proposal, if approved, will add uncertainty to solar, reduce the financial return of home solar power systems by over half and also reduce motivation to conserve energy. As Utahns, we should be proud that in 2015 Utah had the nation's the 8th largest solar market. We have over 6000 solar homes and 92 solar businesses in the state supporting nearly 3,000 solar jobs. If approved, this proposal will apply the brakes to this engine of clean energy growth and establish a dark precedent for other utilities in Utah and surrounding areas.

I urge you to deny Rocky Mountain Power's proposal.

Respectfully yours,

Michael Bard  
1488 E 3115 S  
SLC, UT 84106



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## Solar and rocky mt power

1 message

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**dave hhhh** <gerberley@yahoo.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:26 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Please do not let Rocky Mountain power continue their monopoly and keep clean and abundant energy from spreading it's wings...

Thanks dg



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## oppose Rocky Mountain Power's solar fees

1 message

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**Jean Lown** <j.l@aggiemail.usu.edu>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 5:18 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

The fact that Trump the climate change denier was elected president does not change the fact that climate change is a reality that we must face and address with positive policies to reduce our dependence on fossil fuels. The fact that human use of fossil fuels is causing our climate to become more unpredictable and extreme is scientific fact. Therefore we need to reduce our dependence on fossil fuels. Solar power is one way in which Utah, a very sunny state, can contribute to reducing our dependence on fossil fuels. By producing more electricity from solar power and less from coal, we can contribute to a better planet and cleaner air. Utah's population is growing at an alarming rate and all those new houses and people demand more electricity. Climate change is resulting in more drought and less snow pack in Utah; snow melt is needed to produce hydro power. After 34 years in Utah's Cache Valley I've never seen the surrounding mountains free of snow in November as we have this year. Climate change is real and will affect power generation.

In order to meet demand Rocky Mountain Power would have to build more power plants, likely fueled by natural gas since it is cheaper than coal, but building new power plants is extremely expensive! By delaying the need for additional power generation, solar panels reduce RMP's need to invest in new generating plants. I urge the Public Service Commission to deny Rocky Mountain Power's new rate structure that would severely discourage new solar installation and penalize people who have invested in the power of the future.

Sincerely,

Jean Lown



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## Fast track

1 message

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**Blake Cason** <blakecason@gmail.com>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 5:36 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Please reject the fast track rule for changing solar metering until more information is available.

Blake

Sent by my carrier pigeon, Rusty.



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## Solar

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**drlane.ml** <drlane.ml@gmail.com>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 5:47 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Plases do not allow solar energy to go by the wayside in Utah. Allow the tax credits to continue and don't allow the power company to start charging people to use solar. I don't even have it myself, but wish we all did.

Thanks  
Michael C. Lane, DC

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone



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## Solar rates

1 message

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**Ryan Bagshaw** <thebaggy5@yahoo.com>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 6:38 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Utah depends on clean air to live a healthy life style, many other jobs depend on clean air like tourism. please think about the continued growth of Utah and sustainable clean energy.

Thanks

Ryan Bagshaw

Sent from my iPhone



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## solar legislation

1 message

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**Marisol Sullivan** <marisolsullivan@gmail.com>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 6:49 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

To Whom This May Concern,

I am writing because I strongly oppose a flat rate surcharge for homes with solar panels! This would kill the solar momentum and reduce the incentive for alternative energy and increase our dependence on dirty coal. Have you noticed our air quality the last couple weeks? I am very disheartened that this proposal is even on the table for discussion. We should be moving *towards* and *supporting renewable energy*, not energy that requires extraction -and is far from renewable or environmentally friendly!

Thank you for your time,  
Marisol Sullivan

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Marisol Sullivan  
[marisolsullivan@gmail.com](mailto:marisolsullivan@gmail.com)



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## Net metering

1 message

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**Ronnie Jenkins** <ronnie@ascensionsalesgroup.com>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 6:49 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Hey,

I do not support the measure.

Thanks

**Ronnie Jenkins** Ascension Sales Group, LLC

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## Proposed Solar Power Rate Schedule

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**Craig Hamada** <keggie26@gmail.com>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 7:45 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

I am responding to Rocky Mountain Power's proposal to implement a rate schedule that will increase monthly electric costs for those who have solar panels. Not only will this move penalize a subset of electric customers who are doing the "right thing" for the environment, it will negatively impact the incentive for households to convert to solar power in the future. We are currently having solar panels installed. Like many, much of the incentive for us to install solar panels was to do our part in protecting the environment. Environmental concern plays a large part in the decision making for those considering solar panels. Please do not allow Rocky Mountain Power to penalize customers who have solar panels and to demotivate those who may be future solar power users.

Craig Hamada



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## Not in support of the new measure

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**Katy Dannenberg** <katydberg@gmail.com>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 8:07 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Commissioners,

Please do not pass RMP' s new proposal to the public service commission. Please do not harm the solar industry with this new proposal. The air quality here needs all the help it can get.

Thanks,

Katy Dannenberg



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## Letter to the Utah Public Service Commission (PSC)

1 message

Ryan Lee &lt;ryan.lee@blueravensolarcom&gt;

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 8:28 PM

To: "psc@utah.gov" &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

As CEO of one of the largest solar companies in Utah and the nation (Greentech Media ranks our company #11 out of 3,000+ solar companies nationwide), I urge the PSC to please reject Rocky Mountain Power's recent solar fee proposal for Utah. It is a massive overreach and will effectively kill the growth of the solar industry and threaten local jobs across the state.

RMP priced the proposed charges at almost exactly what it will take to extend the payof f time on a solar system from about 12-15 years to 30 years. This was not by accident. They claim the new fees are for "fair share" rates, but in reality this is RMP's attempt to kill off solar so they don't continue to hemorrhage customers to clean energy. RMP's fee rate increase will effectively destroy solar in this state.

The intention of the fee increase was not to share in the cost of solar, but rather to eliminate competition. Please see this rate change for what it is: an attempt to avoid competition by pricing out all solar from the Utah marketplace and maintaining RMP's monopoly.

Across twelve states, all investor-owned utility proposals to implement demand charges on residential or solar customers have either been rejected by the state's regulatory body or withdrawn entirely. RMP has asked for significantly higher fees than any of these previous proposals.

As an alternative to granting Rocky Mountain Power's anti-competitive wish list we would urge you to consider the same course of action as Minnesota. In that state, they use a "value of solar" approach that allows solar customers to share the cost of their impact on the grid in a fair and equitable manner. See the following document for more details: <https://ilsr.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/MN-Value-of-Solar-from-ILSR.pdf>

This is a complex and multi-sided issue and RMP has only presented one side. Please do not rule on this issue until you have explored all sides.

RMP's extreme fee proposal will make it impossible for our company to do business in Utah, which represents a large portion of our nationwide solar portfolio. Over 150 people currently work for Blue Raven Solar in Utah, including 75 high-paying corporate jobs here in our headquarters in American Fork. Our company will for certain see layoffs if the PSC implements the outrageous charges that RMP is requesting.

Our company will not be alone: there are currently thousands of people in Utah who rely on their employment in the solar industry to pay their bills. These jobs will all be seriously threatened if these proposed fees are implemented.

I strongly urge you to consider the consequences for the jobs that will be lost, as happened in Nevada last year when similar anti-competitive changes were implemented. Nevada effectively killed solar overnight and saw an immediate 99% drop in solar projects across their state. As a result, thousands of layoffs occurred in the solar industry in Nevada over the ensuing months.

Equally depressing: when the PSC in Nevada allowed solar to be killed, it effectively stamped out a source of clean energy for the state (and nation). Whether you believe carbon consumption contributes to climate change or not, there is no denying that clean energy generated by the sun has a positive impact on our environment, by reducing the reliance on carbon-based energy sources. Please don't let Utah be next in losing a positive force to reduce pollution to our already dirty air. Utahns are tired of the inversions and want to do anything we can to clean up the air.

Finally, I urge you to look at the study that the Pew Research Center recently did on solar. They found an astounding 89% of Americans strongly favor expanding solar power to help address costs and environmental concerns. I can't think of *anything* else that 89% of Americans agree on. In addition, Pew found that 52% of people in the American West have considered solar panels.

Solar is one of the few bi-partisan issues that almost all Americans (left, right and center) can agree is a good thing. Please do not let RMP stamp out the Utah solar market with these proposed fees.

Let the people and the market decide—not the utility company .

Sincerely,

Ryan Lee

CEO, Blue Raven Solar

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The Future of Energy. Today.



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**Fw: Please reference docket # 14-035-1 14 & 16-035-T14.**

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**Bert Fox** <bertfox923@yahoo.com>  
Reply-To: Bert Fox <bertfox923@yahoo.com>  
To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 8:26 PM

On Monday, November 21, 2016 8:01 AM, Utility Complaints <utilcomp@utah.gov> wrote:

Mr. Fox,

All comments regarding these dockets should be submitted in writing to the Public Service Commission at [psc@utah.gov](mailto:psc@utah.gov) Please reference docket # 14-035-114 & 16-035-T14.

Sincerely,

The Division of Public Utilities

On Sat, Nov 19, 2016 at 8:59 AM, DPU Web Server <utilcomp@utah.gov> wrote:

> DPU ONLINE COMPLAINT

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> UTILITY CUSTOMER

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> FROM: bert fox

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> PHONE: [505-382-3912](tel:505-382-3912)

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> EMAIL: [bertfox923@yahoo.com](mailto:bertfox923@yahoo.com)

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> SERVICE ADDRESS:

> 440 s 500 east salt lake city UT 84102

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> INCIDENT DETAILS

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> UTILITY n/a

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> ACCOUNT NUMBER: n/a/

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> COMPLAINT TYPE: Inquiry

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> COMPLAINT

> I understand that there is a bill being presented to penalize facilities,

> intending to install, or have installed Solar arrays, in homes and

- > businesses. How in the world does an energy company begin to charge those
- > generating thier own power from a natural, renewable source, and still get a
- > BILL..GREED.
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- > SUGGESTED RESOLUTION: Reallytheres as many solutions to get of your grid,
- > as you can come up with to charge the people for it
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- > TECH INFO
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- > BROWSER: Mozilla Firefox 46.0
- > PLATFORM: Linux
- > SCREENRES: 1920 x 1080
- > IP: 96.92.90.194
- > FORM: /compform.html



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## FW: Docket Number 14-035-1 14

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**lpflugh110@gmail.com** <lpflugh110@gmail.com>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 9:04 PM

To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

I am writing to speak out against the new rate schedule proposed by Rocky Mountain Power to increase the cost for homes adding solar rooftop panels.

Not only is this a negative for the homeowners who are planning to install solar panels, but it will affect the businesses in Utah that are involved in solar. Solar is better for the environment and everyone knows that the air in much of Utah needs all the help it can get.

Adding solar is a big investment. We had planned on adding solar in the spring because it is the right thing to do. If this rate change goes into affect, we won't be able to afford the project.

The PSC should protect the consumer and oppose RMP's proposal.

Lisa Pflugh

Sandy, UT

[801.733.9842](tel:801.733.9842)



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**re: the RMP proposal to increase rates for solar energy users**

1 message

**ROBERT D STARLING** <starlingrd@msn.com>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 9:25 PM

To: "psc@utah.gov" &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

Dear Public Service Commission,

I am a new rooftop solar customer. In fact my installation has not been completed. My primary reason for installing a rooftop solar power generation system is for self-reliance in emergency situations, but I would have been able to choose this option if it were not economically feasible according to the current Rocky Mountain Power rate structure.

When I learned that Rocky Mountain Power has proposed a rate hike ~~OML~~ for rooftop solar customers based on a biased study that considers costs but not benefits, I was appalled. This is not only a large corporation defending its monopoly but I believe it is actually illegal to single out one class of customers. Is it not?

Since your commission is called Public Service and not RMP service, I earnestly implore you to reject the RMP rate hike proposal and service the public - that is, citizens of Utah like me.

Thank you,

Robert Starling

**Robert Starling**12242 S. 1740 W.  
Riverton, UT 84065  
Cell: 801 824-2843





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## Rocky Mountain Power Proposal for Solar Panel Users

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**Sarah Merrill** <sarahmonique@gmail.com>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 9:28 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

To Whom it May Concern,

My husband and I are Utah natives. We currently live in California, and are in the process of building our permanent home in Weber Valley. A place where we will raise our family of 5 children. It is essential for us to consider the use of solar panels in our home. We want our children to learn the benefits of alternative energy so that we can save money, show good stewardship of our environment and live a simple life without the push and pull of consumerism.

I'm appalled at the proposal Rocky Mountain Power has made to change rates specific to users of solar power. According to the SLTribune "Gary Hoogeveen, senior vice president of Rocky Mountain Power, said the utility company studied the matter and came to the conclusion that net-metering customers are an entirely different class of customer, whose bills should be calculated accordingly." How is it that someone who doesn't use their preferred method of electric consumption is an entirely different class of customer? Is a homeowner who chooses an alternative, money saving, water saving water system for their home a "different class of customer" to the water utility?

Rocky Mountain Power is a monopoly on Utah power. To demand further increase on solar users who alternative sources—no matter a home owner's reason, is an unfair and illegal practice. RMP needs to modernize and adjust, but not at the hands of punishing a growing sustainable industry in Utah and homeowners who are looking for ways to live on less. If their reasoning is based on decreased profits for themselves, that's an internal problem not be handed on to the customer.

This situation reminds me of the growth of digital cameras. Kodak was on top of the photography world as it led the way with film. But as technology changed and digital cameras became extremely popular, Kodak refused to modernize and accept an alternative to film. 15 years ago I used film all the time. I haven't bought film in the last 12 years. Where is Kodak today? Rocky Mountain Power needs to examine the realities on the table--solar is not going away, but coal is. Rocky Mountain Power is threatened by the future. The Commission should not be, and they should not give in to a company that is.

We urge the Commission to look very carefully at all sides of this predicament, and not solely at the proposal of Rocky Mountain Power. We plan to invest the rest of our lives and our children's lives in Utah. We want the best for our family and those we live near. We want to see competitive growth, increase in industry, ideas that promote our stewardship and investment in Utah's resources and choice to the homeowner. Without it, it will kill our ability to afford solar in our home, and still pay out the roof for power--which is exactly what RMP wants to do--control the power industry. Don't drive solar from Utah!

Sincerely,

Sarah Merrill

Utah land owner, and returning resident.



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## Rocky Mountain Power's solar fees - no way .

1 message

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**Valerie Phillips** <val@chewandchat.com>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 9:33 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

The hazy smog we're breathing along the Wasatch Front is an obvious reminder of Utah's unhealthy air. And that's before we even get into the winter temperature inversion.

Clean air is critical for every citizen in this state. So please, let's not undermine the clean energy of rooftop solar in the interest of Rocky Mountain Power which already enjoys a monopoly

Asking RMP to do a study recommending rooftop solar fees is asking the fox to guard the henhouse. Of course they are going to exaggerate their costs for net metering, and disregard their advantages such as being able to take excess power generated from rooftops and sell it to other customers.

Our family installed rooftop solar six years ago. It was a considerable, \$20,000 investment for us, but we are generating much of our own clean power. With the incredible fees that RMP has suggested, no one else will want to install solar panels. Who loses? Everyone who breathes air.

You will also be killing Utah's solar industry, which generates hundreds of jobs across Utah, and contributes millions of dollars in sales tax and employee income taxes.

Last year the Legislature voted in an incredible bill that gave Rocky Mountain Power all kinds of benefits. It's well-known that RMP, under Pacificorp, gives hefty donations to Utah's law makers.

Please, let's make it a more even playing field for clean energy. Utahns and their children deserve that.

Thank-you,

Valerie Phillips

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## Please reject RMP fees...

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**Jolene Riser** <joleneriser@hotmail.com>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 11:53 PM

To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

Dear Public Service Commissioners,

Please reject Rocky Mountain Power's (RMP) request to assess new fees to net metering customers. The argument presented in their request is invalid, and I believe they intend to prevent competition, rather than ensure fairness.

In section B (page 13) of UT 14-035-114 RMP Compliance Filing (11-9-16), RMP asserts the following:

"This solar generation often does not coincide with the Company's peak load, thus only minimally reducing that load. Company witness Mr. Marx testifies that a net metering customer's peak production occurs during the spring months while their peak load, and that of other customers, occurs during the summer months. These factors necessitate increasing the size of the distribution facilities as a result of net metering."

The conclusion drawn in that last statement is false. After admitting that solar generation reduces the load on their grid, RMP cannot then claim this causes them to increase the size of their distribution facilities. Even if the peak generation and peak demand are not perfectly synchronized, a very strong correlation exists between when the sun is shining and when air conditioners are running the summer time. Therefore, RMP experiences an actual reduction in peak demand due to net metering customers.

Additionally, excess power from net metering customers can typically be transported to a nearby customer, unlike power from RMP's power plants that travels hundreds of miles. So rather than building costly grid infrastructure that loses efficiency over long distances, net metering customers can utilize existing infrastructure within their own neighborhood. This extends the life of the system's capacity, resulting in a reduction in the need for additional distribution facilities.

Net metering customers should not be punished for reducing the power load at peak demand. The three-part rate structure RMP proposed is intended to make investing in photovoltaic solar so costly that residents would pay significantly more for solar than to utilize RMP's coal-generated power. Because RMP's corporate hierarchy also includes coal mining and distribution, this request appears to be aimed at protecting the supply chain of their existing monopoly, rather than doing what's right for customers and communities.

Recognizing a long-term need for cleaner, sustainable energy, Federal and State legislators have for several years offered tax incentives to make solar more affordable. RMP's proposed rate structure would effectively funnel all these subsidies (and more) back into their own business, which is heavily dependent on pollutive coal technology.

I understand RMP is a business, and their shareholders expect to profit from their operations, but their request is dangerously anti-competitive, anti-consumer, and further threatens the already poor air quality in Utah. Please reject their request, and protect the rights of Utah residents to invest in sustainable energy.

Jolene Riser

Sent from my iPhone



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## 15,638 signers: Save Solar for Utah - Affordable Solar Power in Jeopardy in Utah petition

1 message

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**Ryan Evans** <petitions@moveon.org>  
To: Public Service Commission <psc@utah.gov>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:19 AM

Dear Public Service Commission,

I started a petition to you titled [Save Solar for Utah - Affordable Solar Power in Jeopardy in Utah](#). So far, the petition has 15,638 total signers.

You can post a response for us to pass along to all petition signers by clicking here: [http://petitions.moveon.org/target\\_talkback.html?tt=tt-115677-custom-75514-20261121-Pb73PG](http://petitions.moveon.org/target_talkback.html?tt=tt-115677-custom-75514-20261121-Pb73PG)

The petition states:

"Stop Rocky Mountain Power from Killing Residential Solar in Utah Over the last year, Rocky Mountain Power's sister company killed 99% of residential solar in Nevada. Now, Rocky Mountain Power is trying to do the same thing in Utah, by asking the Utah Public Service Commission to approve one of the most aggressive, anti-consumer, anti-competitive, and anti-solar proposals ever brought forth by a utility in the United States. The Commission is required to study the costs and benefits of residential solar in Utah. Most states have found that residential solar provides a net benefit to everyone, not just solar customers. Rocky Mountain Power ignores the full benefits and demonstrated cost-savings that they and all Utahns receive from residential solar. Utah deserves an open and transparent cost-benefit study. We call on Governor Herbert, the Utah Legislature, the Utah Public Service Commission, the Utah Division of Public Utilities, and the Utah Office of Consumer Services to reject Rocky Mountain Power's proposal. We ask the Commission to conduct a robust and fair cost-benefit study so that Utah homeowners can continue to invest in solar and energy independence."

To download a PDF file of all your constituents who have signed the petition, including their addresses, click this link: [http://petitions.moveon.org/deliver\\_pdf.html?job\\_id=1894210&target\\_type=custom&target\\_id=75514](http://petitions.moveon.org/deliver_pdf.html?job_id=1894210&target_type=custom&target_id=75514)

To download a CSV file of all of your constituents who have signed the petition, including their addresses, click this link: [http://petitions.moveon.org/deliver\\_pdf.html?job\\_id=1894210&target\\_type=custom&target\\_id=75514&csv=1](http://petitions.moveon.org/deliver_pdf.html?job_id=1894210&target_type=custom&target_id=75514&csv=1)

Thank you.

–Ryan Evans

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**Erica** <cheerchicerica@yahoo.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:12 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

To whom it may concern,

I want to voice my opinion as a resident here in Utah. I suffer from seasonal depression and my doctor said a lot of it is caused from this horrible inversion we have here in Salt Lake City. Our air quality is as bad as China and worse than any other state in the country! We need to do everything in our power to get better air quality. Solar is going to help with that! We need every home in Utah to go solar so we can save Utah and protect ourselves and future kids. I would love to be able to breathe clean air and not be so sick and depressed.

Please don't raise the rates for RMP and make it hard and expensive to go solar. That's not good for our economy but most importantly our air!

Please think of yourself when you vote, think of your kids. By raising the rates whose going to benefit? Only Rocky Mountain Power. If you don't raise the rates who is going to benefit? So many more people! All the residents who live in Utah! Our kids, our future leaders. The solar industry, think of how many people they employ. The list goes on!

On the governors website on the home page he states he supports clean energy. Burning fossil fuels is not clean energy.

Thank you for taking your time to read my email.

Sincerely,  
Concerned resident



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## Reference Document Number 14-035-1 14 Oppose Rate Hike by Rocky Mountain Power

1 message

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**Monte Stokes** <monte@centurylink.net>  
To: PSC@utah.gov

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 6:59 AM

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to strongly oppose any fee or rate hike Rocky Mountain Power is proposing now or ever for solar panel customers using net metering. We believe RMP should have to purchase excess electricity produced by solar panel customers not increase prices on us. To be penalized by Rocky Mountain Power for doing what is right is wrong. To try and change the rules and impose additional fees and charges on customers who act in good faith for the benefit of all is unfair .

In early Spring of 2015 we began researching benefits of Solar Power being promoted by Weber State University during their community wide effort. As a result we purchased a 16 panel solar array and had it professionally installed by contractors vetted by the University. Our array cost us about \$14,000.00 and the new roof we needed before we could install the panels added \$6,000.00. We mortgaged our home to pay for it all and we pay \$200.00 per month on our loan for our solar system. As of this writing our system has been in operation for 368 days.

Before installing solar our equal pay billing to Rocky Mountain Power was \$143.00 per month. Today it is \$69.00 per month. No one I know produces 100% of their electricity needs via solar panels. In our case it is less than half. We installed it only partly because of economic appeal. We try to be good neighbors and stewards of our planet. We recycle, we buy energy saving equipment, we installed extra insulation and energy conserving windows, we conserve whatever wherever we can. We feel solar panel power as a clean renewable energy source that adds benefits worldwide. Our family like many others in Utah has a history of severe, chronic asthma that worsens when air quality deteriorates in part due to fossil fueled power plants. Having cleaner air helps all of us live healthier, happier, useful lives. Not only is the energy we produce at our house clean and renewable it creates jobs and when our system produces extra electricity Rocky Mountain Power sells it to our



closest neighbors thereby reducing strain on their power plants saving everyone money on energy and health care.

Rocky Mountain Power has implied that solar panel net metering customers are freeloaders who are not paying their fair share. Nothing could be more misleading. We own our home and pay property taxes. Our solar panel system increased the value of our property and also increased our taxes. Part of the property taxes we pay are used to fund electrical utility development, maintenance and never ending - always increasing monthly energy costs. Recently Ogden City installed 8 traffic lights to manage an intersection where 2 stop signs used to manage that intersection. Those electrically powered traffic lights run 7 days per week, 24 hours per day and we as tax payers pay for all of the electricity used to power them. These types of projects are taking place everywhere and all of us help pay one way or another. It is wrong for Rocky Mountain Power to accuse solar panel customers of being freeloaders. We installed solar panels to be part of a better community .

We urge the Public Service Commission to deny this and all future rate increase requests from Rocky Mountain Power that affect solar panel net metering customers. RMP could instead work harder towards cooperating with solar production providers to reduce fossil fuel emissions and lower electricity and medical care costs for everyone whether the power is generated by RMP or by solar panel arrays purchased and maintained by good neighbor consumers like us. Instead of rate hike for solar panel electricity producers, we would insist that the PSC force RMP to purchase all excess electricity produced by their solar panel energy producing consumers and that energy they currently get for free from their solar panel customers should be paid for at market values. Finally , in order to be fair and honest Rocky Mountain Power should decrease rates for their Net Metering customers.

Respectfully submitted by ,

Monte Stokes

Net Metering Customer

Ogden, Utah

801 589 8999







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## Reject RMP's proposed penalties on rooftop solar

1 message

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**Bryan Dixon** <bdixon@xmission.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 7:29 AM

Reply-To: bdixon@xmission.com

To: psc@utah.gov

More than ever before, it is critical for the public to invest in climate-healthy sources of energy, but Rocky Mountain Power's proposal to levy a surcharge on rooftop solar installations does just the reverse.

Solar is a clean source of energy, unlike most of the power production employed by Rocky Mountain Power that relies on CO2-producing coal. CO2 is by far the most damaging source of greenhouse gas pollutants on the planet. If we are to have a healthy planet, we humans must find ways to reduce our negative impacts.

When, and if, RMP finally includes the cost of its pollution in the calculus of rate equity, it may be reasonable to adjust rates for solar vs. non-solar homes and businesses. Until then, it makes little sense to grant them any adjustments.

Instead, the PSC should demand a full accounting of costs, economic and otherwise, of using fossil fuels to generate electricity. RMP is fully capable of modeling and estimating these costs, but is dragging their feet in doing such analyses because it might disrupt their antiquated business model.

It's time we moved RMP into the 21st century and required them to recognize the public costs of their utility business.

Bryan Dixon, M.C.P.

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Bryan Dixon  
10 Heritage Cove  
Logan, UT 84321  
[435-760-0691](tel:435-760-0691)  
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## Deny RMP rate change

1 message

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**nicholas flann** <nick.flann@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 7:35 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

I urge the Public Service Commission to deny Rocky Mountain Power's new rate structure that would severely discourage new solar installation and penalize people w.who have invested in the power of the future.

Dr. Nicholas Flann  
Associate Department Head, Computer Science Department, Utah State University  
Associate Editor, BioSystems  
Affiliate Faculty  
Institute for Systems Biology , Seattle, Washington,  
Synthetic Biomanufacturing Institute, Logan, Utah



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## Solar power promotion not discouragement

1 message

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**jeanettemarienorton** <jeanettemarienorton@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 7:48 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

The new proposed rate structure discourages new solar power users and is less advantageous for current solar producers. This is short sighted when policies should promote solar installations.

Jeanette Norton

Sent from my iPad



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## Proposed Rate Increase by Rocky Mountain Power for Solar Power

1 message

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**Moni Schwaerzler** <moni@slarts.org>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 8:16 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

I am writing in strong opposition to this proposal.

We have one small planet to live on and it is incumbent upon us to do what we know how to in order to make this planet habitable for the future of the human species.

We should encourage the use of solar power throughout the State, the Country and the World, not the opposite. I am including a new product developed by Tesla for solar roof tiles... [Tesla Solar Roof Tiles](#) that is the future... not going backwards. Just because it is hard to overcome the inertia and fear that drives so much of decision making on this planet is no excuse to look for short term economic gains at the expense of what is right.

I am also including an article by our own Reed Izatt, to help you make a courageous and correct decision. Incidentally the Salt Lake Arts Academy was given a grant a few years back to install solar panels on our roof by Rocky Mountain Power. We save an average of 40 trees a month. Unfortunately no way to gauge how much energy we save.... the bills do not reflect that detail.

Thank you.

Moni Schwaerzler  
Business Manager  
Salt Lake Arts Academy  
[801-531-1173 x5402](tel:801-531-1173)  
[Moni@slarts.org](mailto:Moni@slarts.org)

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To whom it may concern:

Use of solar panels provides an efficient way to convert energy from the sun into electricity. Solar electricity generation is one of the few low-carbon energy technologies with the potential to grow to large scale. Several benefits are immediately obvious. The sun provides unlimited energy that has been used for millions of years to produce green plants. Sunlight is free. With the advent of modern physics, chemistry, and engineering during the past century, clever individuals have discovered how to convert sunlight into electricity using readily available chemical elements. In the past few years, this discovery has been commercialized and is now the basis for a rapidly growing global enterprise that has the promise over the next few decades of providing electricity to a wide variety of users ranging from homeowners to large businesses at competitive rates. Today, it is estimated by the Solar Energy Industries Association that the U.S. solar industry employs 174,000 Americans and pumps nearly \$18 billion per year into our economy.

Advantages of solar energy for electricity production are many. Solar panels can be used for small installations such as homes or for large buildings. A solar inverter is used to convert direct current output into alternating current for use by the energy off-taker. Most installations are tied to regulated electric utility industries, but it is possible to make the operation independent by using rechargeable batteries. The system is simple with no need for extensive transmission lines from commercial coal, natural gas, or nuclear electric power generating plants to the user. Secondary effects encountered with the use of coal, natural gas, or radionuclides to power these plants, such as environmental pollution and negative human health issues are eliminated. This is a tremendous benefit, especially in developing countries, since waste generated in mining, processing, and using these resources is large and expensive to treat, if treated at all.

Use of green technologies, such as solar panels, is increasing on a global scale. Western Europe, China, and India are prime movers in this effort. The population of India is over one billion. Of these, about 300 million do not have access to electricity. This number is equal to the population of the United States. India has embarked on a program of installing solar panels on rooftops and setting up massive solar parks. This effort is expected to catapult India to the forefront of the global effort to bring electricity to all. An immediate benefit is the decreased need to build electric power generating plants to provide this electricity.

Some experts predict that by 2050 a major fraction of the world's power should come from solar sources. However, getting to this point will require real and dedicated cooperation among stakeholders including users; providers; local, State, and National legislators and policy makers; and utilities. Many important and controversial issues need to be considered and workable solutions found.

The long-term potential of solar power to meet a significant portion of global electricity demand is assured. It is imperative that stakeholders work together to identify and solve problems. Individuals in the U.S. should be leading this field, not putting impediments in its path.

Reed M. Izatt, ph.D.

Provo, Utah



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**Docket 14-035-114 and 16-035-T14**

1 message

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**Shayne Durfee** <shayne.durfee@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 8:39 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

Rocky Mountain Power targeting solar customers with a fee is absurd. I do not have solar currently but have considered it because of air quality and having a choice. RMP says that solar costs other rate payers to subsidize solar customers, but that's not really true. From my research when a solar home is not using the power, RMP sells the solar power to a non solar customer for full rate during the morning and midday. These homes provide power so the utility doesn't have to send power. That's the real issue. Rocky Mountain Power loses money. By not allowing people to get solar you are enabling a monopoly to continue. Not to mention solar is a growing industry in Utah.

Shayne Durfee



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## RMP's End Run

1 message

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**John Whittaker** <jdwhitta@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 8:39 AM

Reply-To: jdwhitta@gmail.com

To: psc@utah.gov

I find it interesting that only a few months ago Dave Eskelson appeared on television proposing cash intensives for those who use to much electricity so RMP wouldn't have to build more capacity! Now that RMP has there own solar farm they want to penalize/control those who have invested in solar by charging us and others more. This is not only hypocritical but is a blat en attempt to control all electricity production! Our system only produces 4 Kw at it peak so we are still dependent on RMP to supply our yearly needs. There argument that solar owners still use RMP's equipment and lines does not hold water. They should pay us to help RMP so they don't need to add more capacity . This appalling, please oppose this action.

Regards,  
J Whittaker





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## RMP's End Run

1 message

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**John Whittaker** <jdwhitta@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 8:41 AM

Reply-To: jdwhitta@gmail.com

To: psc@utah.gov

I find it interesting that only a few months ago Dave Eskelson appeared on television proposing cash intensives for those who use to much electricity so RMP wouldn't have to build more capacity! Now that RMP has there own solar farm they want to penalize/control those who have invested in solar by charging us and others more. This is not only hypocritical but is a blat en attempt to control all electricity production! Our system only produces 4 Kw at it's peak so we are still dependent on RMP to supply our yearly needs. There argument that solar owners still use RMP's equipment and lines for free does not hold water. This is appalling.

Regards,  
J Whittaker



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## Solar

1 message

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**Felix McGowan** <f.mcgowan@hotmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 8:45 AM

To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

I cannot support Rocky Mt. Power rate proposal. It's only the latest attempt to stop/slow individual residential and independent market growth around the ~~W~~st. R.M.P. wants to monopolize current power and solar for it's own profits. I urge the ~~S~~P.C to act in the public's interest and vote against R.M.P.'s proposals.

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**Steven Wollschleger**

7538 Misty Hollow Way  
West Jordan, UT 84084  
(801) 718-8282  
s.wolly@gmail.com

22 November 2016

**State of Utah Public Service Commission**

Heber M. Wells Building  
160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84111

I am writing regarding the proposal by Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) to increase rates for new residential solar installations.

I oppose this rate increase. I do not have, nor do I plan to acquire solar power generation. As a customer of RMP, I am happy to subsidize those that choose to install solar.

An increase in my monthly power bill is a small price to pay in exchange for cleaner air where I live and work. I urge you to deny this request from RMP and help to maintain the opportunity to take advantage of the abundant solar energy available in our state.

Sincerely,

Steven Wollschleger



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

## Please reject Rocky Mountain Power's proposed rate increase for Residential Solar Installations

1 message

**Tyson Hoffman** <tyson.b.hoffman@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 9:28 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

We have an exciting project for our home. We've signed on financing for installing solar power on our home! Through net metering we will be able to use the excess power we make during the summer/day to pay for the power we use during the winter/night. We are going to be able to trade our power bill for 30+ years with the same price loan payment for ~20 years (worse case scenario, we will be able to accelerate this). This also allows us to 'lock in' our payment and isolates us from power inflation, which will likely rise. After that we pay nothing but the fixed \$9 charge. This reduces our dependence on fossil fuels, reduces our power bills, and is a step on the path to energy independence (You know, in case of zombies).

Rocky Mountain Power(RMP) is not a fan of this. Utility companies are monopolies that use a business model that is about profits and growth. Their investors want them to be selling more power, which means that being more efficient, or supporting residential solar is counter to that business model. Last year Nevada's power company, which has the same investor as RMP(Berkshire Hathaway), increased rates specifically targeting home solar power installations, claiming that those homes are getting a 'free ride' by relying on the power grid that they are no longer paying for. It killed the solar industry in Nevada, installations dropped by 99% and thousands of jobs were lost.

RMP is approaching you, the Public Utilities Commission with a similar/worse proposal. They created a study looking only at costs, completely ignoring benefits, such as no long distance power transmission loss, better utilization of existing local infrastructure, reduced pollution in the valleys which already reaches unhealthy levels, and many more found by other utilities, solar power companies, and academics (33 studies here: <http://www.seia.org/policy/distributed-solar/solar-cost-benefit-studies>). My solar panels, already installed panels, and future installations will save RMP money, and benefit society.

Please look for the benefits, already thoroughly researched by other states, which RMP decidedly left out of their study. Approving RMP's proposal will hurt Utah, we have already seen that in Nevada.

As the safeguard of the public, protect our solar industry, help RMP in its mission to supply Utah with affordable power and deny their rate increase. Their proposal benefits only Berkshire Hathaway at the cost of thousands of Utah jobs, Utah's health, and preventing Utah citizens from contributing to a cleaner more sustainable future.

Please reject their proposal.

Thanks,  
~Tyson Hoffman  
3507 S 2145 E  
Millcreek Utah  
[801-913-5739](tel:801-913-5739)



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## RMP Solar Rate Structure Proposal

1 message

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**David Johnson** <caroldavidjohnson@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 9:28 AM

To: PSC@utah.gov

I oppose the proposal that Rocky Mountain Power is pressuring *my* Public Services Commission to accept. Their non-standard request for only partial rate changes at an accelerated schedule is not only illogical but unwise. They should go through the normal process and not a hurry-up, out of the ordinary session. This method only contributes to poor decisions and, in this case, a very biased response.

The Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) assertion that solar customers are subsidized by regular customers is illogical. The power produced at a solar home is immediately available where it is produced. Almost no infrastructure is needed to sell the home-produced solar energy to the neighbor next door . No long-distance transmission losses, transformer costs, transmitting lines, right-of-way costs, or other capital investments in facilities are needed. In fact, the infrastructure for this local production of power is borne by the home owner . The solar home owners purchase the producing cells, the switching circuitry , and metering equipment. That power produced is directly useable in the area...immediately ... and automatically . Power that the solar home purchases (when not supporting the RMP grid) is assessed infrastructure costs like any other RMP customer . RMP is running what appears to be a very sophisticated ploy to win a drastic accelerated ruling by our Utah Public Services Commission to benefit RMP and deter home solar production.

We in Utah occupy a unique position in this country . We are blessed with abundant solar power producing possibilities. They should not only be utilized by gargantuan power producing companies and conglomerates but also by smaller utilities and even private homes. Please VOTE NO on their cleverly crafted proposal to stifle self-sufficiency of the citizens of Utah, which you hopefully represent.

Thank You,

David Johnson     Nibley, Utah     435 265 6281



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## Rocky Mountain Power Proposed Rate increase for Solar Users

1 message

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**Landy Ukena** <ukenal@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 9:30 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

I encourage the Utah Public Service Commission to reject the Rocky Mountain Power proposed rate increase that is targeting rooftop solar owners here in Utah.

Landy Ukena



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## RMP rate increase

1 message

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**Troy Pewtress** <tdpewtress@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 9:54 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

to whom it may concern, I am writing you to let you know I DO NOT agree with the rate increase proposed by Rocky Mountain Power in regards to solar power customers and I truly hope you will not approve this.

Thank you

Troy Pewtress Willard UT



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Re Rocky Mountain Power's Request for Rooftop Solar Rate Increases

1 message

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**Millbrk** <millbrk@xmission.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 10:03 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

I am concerned that RMP is asking for a rate increase at the same time they are promoting their own solar electricity in prime time television ads. That seems awfully self serving

Jan Lawrence  
Fairfield, Utah

Sent from my iPhone





PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Rocky Mountain Power - Oppose Proposed Solar Rate Increase

1 message

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**Renee Leta** <renee.leta@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 10:20 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to ask you to oppose Rocky Mountain Power's proposal to increase rates for business and residential solar programs. I believe the rate increase will have a direct, negative impact on our community. In particular I'm concerned about the impact the new rate increase will have on customers like myself - who are just beginning to adopt solar technology - and on the solar industry jobs in our state. I urge you to oppose this increase.

Thank you for your consideration,

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Renée Leta  
1048 Windsor St  
Salt Lake City, UT 84105



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## Opposition to Rocky Mountain Power's new rate structure

1 message

Sarah Los &lt;sarahelizabethlos@gmail.com&gt;

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 10:20 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

To Whom it may Concern:

Our president-elect and his cabinet members may deny it, but climate change is a reality that we must face and address with positive policies to reduce our dependence on fossil fuels. The fact that human use of fossil fuels is causing our climate to become more unpredictable and extreme is scientific fact. Therefore we need to reduce our dependence on fossil fuels. Solar power is one way in which Utah, a very sunny state, can contribute to reducing dependence on fossil fuels. By producing more electricity from solar power and less from coal, we can contribute a better planet and cleaner air. Utah's population is growing at an alarming rate and all those new houses and people demand more electricity. Climate change is resulting in more drought and less snow pack in Utah; snow melt is needed to produce hydro power. After 34 years in Utah's Cache Valley I've never seen the surrounding mountains free of snow in November as we have this year. Climate change is real and will affect power generation.

Solar power is not only useful for homes - it can be useful as a way to charge electric or electric-hybrid vehicles as well. Especially with the inversions that we in valley-areas experience in the winter, encouraging purchase of electric or electric hybrid cars could alleviate a huge strain on air quality. And if solar power is an affordable option, people could charge their car batteries safely and efficiently while reducing emissions.

In order to meet demand Rocky Mountain Power would have to build more power plants, likely fueled by natural gas since it is cheaper than coal, but building new power plants is extremely expensive! By delaying the need for additional power generation, solar panels reduce RMP's need to invest in new generating plants. Join the Public Service Commission to deny Rocky Mountain Power's new rate structure that would severely discourage new solar installation and penalize people who have invested in the power of the future.

Sincerely

Sarah E. Los

(417) 827-4748

sarahelizabethlos@gmail.com

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## Rocky Mountain Power's Ban for Solar power

1 message

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**Jason Daily** <jason.daily@vivintsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 10:38 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Thad LeVar, David Clark, Jordan A. White,  
Please Block Rocky Mountain Power's proposal to ban solar power from Utah. Please give consumers their agency to decide who they want to get their power from. Solar Power is great for the environment and a great savings for consumers budget.  
Sincerely,

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Jason Daily  
Energy Consultant  
**VIVINT SOLAR**  
Boston South  
cell/text: 774-434-9675  
web: [gosolarwithjason.com](http://gosolarwithjason.com)

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## Utah Solar Proposal

1 message

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**kincade bauer** <rawkdog@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 11:13 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

To Whom It May Concern:

I'm writing to express my concern about the new proposal from Rocky Mountain Power regarding solar in Utah. This proposal has far reaching effects that I hope are considered.

- First, this proposal would stifle a very important and fast growing industry in Utah. Solar employs many thousands of Utahns in well paying and technical jobs and doing anything to jeopardize these jobs is completely counter-intuitive to Utah's goal of economic growth.
- Secondly, our valley has significant air quality issues throughout the year. With the projected growth of our population over the next 20 years we need to do everything we can to remove point of source emissions from the valley. Solar achieves this.
- Third, creating any barrier that makes it more expensive for the average family to pay for solar on an ongoing basis creates a bias against lower and middle class families. Solar should be available to all, not just those families and individuals with significant means.
- Lastly, this proposal strikes me as an attempt to further discourage those families that want to provide for their own families by farming, solar, and other activities. If an individual or family elects to pay many months or years worth of their salary for solar to generate their own electricity, they should be able to do so without being encumbered by fees and rate increases by Rocky Mountain Power.

I hope you will reject this proposal from Rocky Mountain Power and consider the many customers who are hoping (and who have been saving) to install solar soon.

Kincade M. Bauer



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## Rocky Mountain Power Fees

1 message

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**The Mountain Outpost** <hello@themountainoutpost.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 11:22 AM

To: PSC@utah.gov

Dear Public Service Commission,

I am writing to urge you to reject the new fees that Rocky Mountain Power is proposing for net-metering solar customers. Utah is a great location to take advantage of solar energy, and these fees will hurt local families and business by forcing them to pay more for the ability to use the free energy of the sun. These fees would kill any chance of rooftop solar's continued growth in Utah and would put many rooftop solar companies operating in Utah out of business.

Thank you,

Megan Davin

**Megan Davin, Founder**[TheMountainOutpost.com](http://TheMountainOutpost.com)[Hello@TheMountainOutpost.com](mailto:Hello@TheMountainOutpost.com)[@TheMountainOutpost](https://twitter.com/TheMountainOutpost)



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## Providing CHOICE to Utahns

1 message

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**Leigh Gibson** <theleighgibson@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 11:35 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

Commissioners -

I urge you to please be weary of any rate Rocky Mountain Power rate hikes that could impede the growth of solar energy in Utah.

Impeding growth of solar affects Utah in so many ways.

First - I don't want my husband to lose his job. He's a proud part of the Auric Solar family – a company that now employs more than 200 Utahns. There are hundreds, I bet even thousands, more people just like me who are worried that our jobs or our husband's jobs could go away.

People keep making the argument that solar had training wheels and is doing so well they don't need incentives or shields from rate hikes. If that were true, why do we continue to incentivize businesses like oil and gas, who have been around for years? Government is known for helping industries that help the community. Solar does that. It not only fuels Utah's economy, but is helping clean our air.

Utah will never NOT have an inversion. It's just a fact of life where we live. However we can have an impact on how much dirty air is trapped in the inversion. By moving away from coal power and using the power of the sun, we can reduce those emissions.

I think there is a happy medium here. I don't think Rocky Mountain Power's solution is correct. Let's get all of the players to the table and determine what is fair.

This whole process screams of corruption, as the rate hike was moved forward on election day, when reporters and the public were too busy to take notice. Let's be transparent and do things in the light.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best,  
Leigh Gibson  
11276 S Clove Lane  
South Jordan, UT 84095



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

## RMP Roof Top Solar Proposal

1 message

Becca Bell &lt;rebeccabell\_1992@hotmail.com&gt;

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 11:57 AM

To: "pcs@utah.gov" &lt;pcs@utah.gov&gt;

To whom it may concern,

I have been following news reports and updates, regarding the proposal by Rocky Mountain Power to implement increased rates for customers using rooftop solar. As a consumer and tax payer, I ask that the Public Service Commission overturn their proposal.

Rocky Mountain Power claims that homeowners using rooftop solar systems are harming the economy by placing unfair burdens on other non-solar tax payers, and they feel that gives them the right to essentially implement their own solar tax.

My first issue with this is that it is completely anti-competition, and appears to be a direct means to eliminate any/the ONLY competition RMP may have. Rocky Mountain Power has not produced any evidence (from non-biased sources) to support their claims to justify such measures. This makes it appear to me that they are simply trying to kill their competition and leave the rest of us with no other options than to stick with them, regardless of their continuous trends to hike prices up for no reason.

Not only is this measure by RMP anti-competition, it is harmful to Utah's economy. It is a widely known fact that competition in business drives the economy up, while monopolies do the complete opposite. This measure by RMP would allow RMP to corner the energy market, and force hardworking citizens to continue to pay skyrocketing energy bills, with no other viable options. Solar is a booming industry around the country and is currently driving the economy up in Utah. This measure could kill solar in Utah, resulting in the loss of thousands of jobs. This could be detrimental to our economy.

There is currently a global race towards clean energy, as it is a known fact that our dependence on fossil fuels is harmful to our economy and expensive, as resources continue to become depleted. The issue with non-renewable resources is that they do eventually run out. We are currently depending on resources that we know may be gone within the next few generations. Anyone who is not interested in exploring clean/alternative energy methods is falling behind the curve that the rest of the human race is on. Solar energy is a clean, renewable energy source that does not harm the environment, which is a major reason it is so appealing to everyone else across the globe. Supporting a measure that essentially stops progression is not only harmful to our environment, but it makes us, as a state, look ignorant and resistant to progression and change.



As an energy consumer and tax payer I see this measure by Rocky Mountain Power and it makes me sick to my stomach. This measure passing would not make me decide between getting solar or staying non-solar to pay all my money to Rocky Mountain Power; it makes me start considering staying in Utah or paying my taxes to a state that is in support of competition and clean energy

While it makes sense for Rocky Mountain Power to want to kill solar in Utah, it does not make sense for Utah's Public Service Commission to allow it to happen, as it would be a huge public disservice. Please keep competition and clean energy alive in Utah!!!!

Regards,

Rebecca Bell Fernandez



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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**in reference to docket number 2014 - 14-035-1 14**

1 message

**Dabug Xappuc** <novialist@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 11:57 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

Esteemed commissioners:

I am writing to take advantage of the opportunity to have my voice heard on the issue of solar panels and Rocky Mountain Power's desire to impose a monthly fee on their customers who make use of them.

My understanding is that the resulting cost to individual residential customers could be between \$20 and \$50 a month. I want to point out that my family's average monthly electric bill before we got solar panels was \$50 a month. We invested several thousand dollars into the physical infrastructure necessary to generate solar power based on our understanding that we could offset the cost of this investment by receiving credit for the sale of our excess output. I find it extremely unfair that the rules can be changed on us after the fact.

<http://www.cityweekly.net/utah/power-struggle/Content?oid=2927440>

I would also like to point out that, though Severin Borenstein of the Energy Institute at Berkeley's Haas School of Business is on record as supporting utility companies in their assertion that solar customers cost the companies money, the actual costs he cites involve equipment needed to modernize the grid, ie. to make it more robust so that it can better handle the two-way flow of electricity. This upgrade is not something that benefits solar customers alone but is rather a feature which will benefit all of society. So it's not something people who have invested their own money into improving society by lessening their carbon footprint should be on the hook for.

Borenstein fully acknowledges that the power produced by solar customers is superior in that less of it is lost in transmission between the far-away power plants and the consumers who use it.

Please be reasonable by following in the footsteps of at least seven states who have already acknowledged the large-scale benefits of alternative energy to everyone, including power companies.

Thank you,

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Freedom of the press is limited to those who own one.

- A.J. Liebling, journalist

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## Solar Industry

1 message

**Amanda Roseburg** <amanda@rjtechnicalservices.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:01 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

I would like to take a minute to email you about the proposed changes to net metering by Pacific Corp.

Firstly, to state the obvious. Pacific Corp is a vary large, very rich company. The fact that they are trying to show a hard ship is laughable. They are greedy and are used to using money to buy their way through legislation. Even if the solar market does grow exponentially, they will still be operating at a large profit margin.

Secondly, solar is the way of the future. Especially her in the Salt Lake V alley. I live in Kaysville and the pollution during the fall and winter months is outrageous. I also enjoy running and during those times I actually have an app I check to see if the pollution is too bad for me to run outside. W e are welcoming more and more people into our state all of the time (a majority of them will be new Pacific Corp customers) and this problem will only increase without an option to alleviate some of the problem.

Lastly, our solar install company is a family business. It employs both of my parents, my husband and myself, 4 siblings, a brother in law, an uncle, and my son and daughter, along with 13 others. A warding these changes to net metering to Pacific Corp will not only help to make a rich company richer , it will put a lot of people, and most of my family, out of work. Is the state prepared to take on the cost so many people now being unemployed? And for who's benefit?

Thank you for your time and consideration.

### Amanda Roseburg

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## Rocky Mtn Power

1 message

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**Mark Sherwood** <marksherwood70@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:02 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

This is crazy, please do not let this happen. RMP knows the benefit of Solar as they themselves use solar. Now, they want to kill competition, and remove jobs, and increase rates!!

Who does that sound like?

This threatens the economic and environmental benefits solar brings to Utah!

Please as the PSC, do not let RMP get away with this and protect the consumer!!

We want to put solar on our homes continually until August as you figure this out not end solar in December.

Please help us, many of us just are so confused now do we sign for solar on our roofs or not?

Best Regards,

**Mark Sherwood,**

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PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

## Fwd: Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment

1 message

**Todd Sangster** <sangsterta@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:05 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Our public comments below sent last Thursday do not appear to have been posted in the online docket. Please post under both docket #16-035-T14 and #16-035-14.

Thanks -  
Todd Sangster  
Jessica Brown

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From: **Todd Sangster** <sangsterta@gmail.com>

Date: Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 5:54 PM

Subject: Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment

To: psc@utah.gov

Cc: jessica.c.s.brown@gmail.com

Dear Commissioners -

We are writing to oppose PacificCorp - Rocky Mountain Power's ("RMP") "Advice No 16-13", filed Nov 9, 2016. We are current net metering customers of RMP and would therefore be grandfathered into the current schedule. However whether this grandfathering is permanent is unclear from RMP's filing; similarly, it is not clear whether we would still be grandfathered if we chose to expand our solar array. Therefore, we feel that we may be personally impacted by the proposed changes.

While the time given for public comment is too short for a full review of RMP's filing, we have the following specific objections:

1. **It is unclear whether the proposed demand charge is based on total demand or net demand.** If based on total demand over a 1 hour window the charge is clearly not just and reasonable - a customer could exactly match generation and demand and still be hit with the demand charge while imposing no costs on the grid. If based on net demand, we would ask that RMP replace "demand" throughout its proposal with "net demand".
2. **It is unclear why the proposed rate schedule should apply only to net metering customers.** Assuming that we accept RMP's cost allocations, it seems only just and reasonable that the same rate schedule should apply to all residential customers. This is not the case under RMP's proposal. For instance, why should the fixed monthly charge for net metering customers be \$15 while the basic fixed charge for other customers is \$6? It seems unreasonable that a customer who switches to net metering should immediately increase their fixed costs to the system by 150%. Another hypothetical illustrates this problem: imagine a customer signs up for net metering but does not activate their solar array. A truly just and reasonable schedule would have this customer's bill be unchanged given that their demand and generation (zero) would both be unchanged.
3. **RMP's calculations exclude financial benefits it gains from net metering.** Our current solar array generates more power than we use - we export an average excess of 130kWh per month to RMP. RMP gives us credits for the excess power; however, these credits expire unused and therefore cost RMP nothing. However, RMP is free to sell the excess power we generate. We cannot find where the financial benefit of selling this excess power is

included in RMP's calculations.

4. **The study RMP relies on is flawed.** While we have not had time to completely review the data RMP presents, Figures 2 and 3 in the testimony of Joelle Steward reveal flaws in the study. These figures compare the load profiles of net metering customers with other residential customers. It is clear that this is a comparison of apples and oranges - the average power used by the net metering customers is higher than that used by other customers. We would hypothesize that net metering customers are on average wealthier and have larger homes. RMP uses this flawed comparison to allocate higher costs to the net metering customers, artificially inflating the charges on the proposed schedule. A properly controlled comparison would examine the average change in the load profile of individual net metering customers before and after net metering was activated.
5. **RMP's proposal results in adverse incentives which may undermine its objectives.** Were we subject to the proposed rate schedule, we believe that it would be favorable for us to install battery storage and disconnect from the grid. RMP's costs would be little affected - it would still have to maintain the same distribution system, power plants, etc - but those costs would be spread among one fewer customer. RMP would also lose the financial benefit of the excess energy we send to the grid; this energy would instead be wasted. Should other net metering customers make the same choice (as we would advocate, given the rapidly decreasing cost of storage), RMP's rate base would be hollowed out while its cost structure would be maintained, shifting even more costs than today onto non-solar customers. Other net metering customers who do not generate sufficient power to fully meet their needs may find it advantageous to disconnect from the grid and use their own generator, with negative consequences for energy efficiency and air quality.

A full review of RMP's proposal would presumably reveal additional flaws. As such, it does not make sense to allow RMP's fast-track request to move new solar customers to a rate structure of "whatever is approved in the future". Doing so only creates needless uncertainty, particularly when the accompanying proposal of a new rate structure is fundamentally flawed.

In sum, we humbly request that the Commission deny RMP's request to use a fast-track process and require it to use the normal rate-setting process for its changes. We hope that RMP will return with a true just and reasonable allocation of costs and reassess its investments and business model in light of the rapidly changing marketplace for electrical service.

Sincerely,

Todd A. Sangster  
Jessica C. S. Brown  
Salt Lake City



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## Rocky Mountain Power and Solar fee requests

1 message

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**Ted Skeen** <tskeen@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:22 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

I would like it write to you to express my opposition to the requested charge on solar users by Rocky Mountain Power . The reasons given by Rocky Mountain Power do not pass the smell test. It is hard to get reliable information as details are limited to news articles or are hidden in obscure websites. In full, they say they subsidize solar users \$400 per year , which seems to be based on the cost of the infrastructure and the idea that solar users are heavy users during peak hours.

It is hard to determine infrastructure costs, but it doesn't sound like it included the benefit of delaying increases to the power system as demand is growing at a slower pace than the market is growing (directly due to solar generation). Any delay has to save the power company significant sums of money.

The heavy user argument doesn't make sense because it does not fairly account for the use. A solar user is no dif ferent than any other customer, they should be charged on the power they actually consume. Not the power they would be assumed to use if they didn't have solar.

Maybe the power company should also increase the rate on minimal users of power, because they also "are subsidized" by the power company because their bill doesn't come close paying for the subsidy .

I strongly urge you to reject the rate change.

Respectfully yours

Theodore Skeen  
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SLC UT 84108





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## Docket 14-035-114

1 message

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**Brian Milliner** <bmilliner@comcast.net>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:24 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Hello,

My family would like to comment on the proposed changes to increase fees paid by solar users to RMP .

Our system is not turned on yet so we have not had a billing cycle with net metering. Our rates will be grandfathered in but still have issue with the basis of the proposal.

We find RMP's position very puzzling, unproven, and outright punitive and intimidating.

Their entire purpose is to limit the growth of solar usage and recoup what RMP thinks it's losing in revenue.

Here is why their position is verifiably false.

Our latest power bill, without net metering, is \$61, the month before that, \$78. So we are right where they want every solar user to be, without net metering. Due to conservation, not production.

Are we not paying our "fair share" of grid costs because we are smart and frugal with power? How or Why does adding solar panels change that?

RMP used the example that the average solar user has a bill of \$55. We are paying 6 dollars more without net metering. If we weren't being grandfathered in, our new power bill would be \$75 even though we used less or the same amount of power, yet our bill would be more?

Please explain that.

Their model doesn't account for conservation. It doesn't account for the fact that most people getting panels are already conservation minded and aren't carelessly using energy, whether it's from RMP or Panels.

Their example of \$55 a month is meaningless if we don't know what those users were paying before they got net metering.

Chances are this fee increase would eat up what little savings they had.

That is exactly what RMP wants, to offset the savings and make it the same cost, eliminating the monetary motivation to use solar.

All while trying to shift public opinion against solar users. Calling us free loaders.

During the summer days our system will power our HVAC.

This reduces our power bill/use during the time of year/day in which we use the most energy, and when we pay the most.

This is the money RMP is trying to recover under the guise of grid usage fees.

It needs to be considered that we are paying our fair share and our grid usage isn't any different other than we are using it less during summer days.

Why should that cost us more?

The difference isn't solar users getting a free ride. The difference is we aren't paying RMP during summer days to power our HVAC systems, while not using the grid. Before our systems were installed, we did.

Why should we have to pay extra for that?

Secondly, how is there more demand when we have been RMP customers for 11 years and our energy use at night won't be effected by our panels?

We will still be using the same amount of power at night much like we have the past 11 years, why should be put into a different class than our neighbors that don't have panels?

Energy consumption is going to cost all of us long term.

Everyone is going to pay that price, regardless of where they get their energy from. Which is unfair for renewable users.

Solar panels are reducing the environmental cost and that savings needs to be calculated when considering charges for solar users. This needs to be rewarded, not punished.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Brian, Chasidy, and Desmond

Sent from my iPhone



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## Regarding Docket 14-035-114 Net metering Policy Proposal

1 message

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**Mindy Walsh** <mindy.walsh@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:27 PM

To: "psc@utah.gov" &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

To Whom it May Concern-

As you consider Rocky Mountain's net metering proposal over the next week or so, I respectfully ask that you take the time to heavily weigh the potential impact your decision will have in our community. Please use the Nevada case study as an example of the turmoil RMP's proposal can **and will** cause.

I've been involved with this disruption over the past several years...not only through my career in the industry but as a *net metering customer*. I know personally, as a consumer, that I would not have purchased panels for my **own home** under the proposed rate schedule.

As an industry, we have taken great strides in improving our economy through job creation and tax revenue (use tax as an example). We have made notable progress toward improving our environment and air quality through clean energy. We have ultimately provided an opportunity for our consumers to exercise their American rights in our great Capitalist Country to **choose** who they purchase their energy from. The proposed changes will immediately HALT all of that progress!

I know we need to work out a fair agreement with Rocky Mountain Power to make Net Metering beneficial to both sides. At the same time, allowing them to slip changes in under tight deadlines, and without relevant data and facts behind their proposal is not the right way to do it. They need to follow the necessary steps, under full audit, and propose a *reasonable* change, allowing for input from both sides! Please do not allow Rocky Mountain Power use their power as a Monopoly to bully their competition into submission, there is too much at stake!

When I joined the industry in 2013, there were only a handful of employees with our small company, and only a handful of small companies in the state. We have since grown to over 100 solar companies, representing over 3000 employees, and the most important thing to me is **protecting the 204 families that I feel personally responsible for feeding.**

Please feel free to reach out to me personally if there is any more insight you feel I can provide.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mindy Walsh

Mindy Walsh

11/24/2016

State of Utah Mail - Regarding Docket 14-03514 Net metering Policy Proposal

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## NEM Docket 14035114 Rocky Mtn Power proposal

1 message

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charles\_ashurst@comcast.net <charles\_ashurst@comcast.net>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:30 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Utah PublicService Commission

Dear Commissioners:

I urge the Public Service Commission to deny Rocky Mountain Power's new rate structure that would severely discourage new solar installation and penalize people who have invested in the power of the future.

Thank you,

Charles Ashurst  
1160 N 1700 E  
Logan Utah  
[4357538496](tel:4357538496)



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Please don't let RMP get away with new bill

1 message

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**McKay Selph** <mckselph@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:33 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

I work in the solar industry and I'm terrified that after Dec 9th the potential customers will be to scared to move ahead. Please extend the date to the same time frame as the date of the bill. Please be on the public side



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Save Solar in Utah

1 message

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**Brendin** <brendinallen3@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:36 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

Hello,

My name is Brendin, I am a resident in Utah, and have been for the last several years, I think it is very important that solar is kept in Utah, reasons include saving Utah jobs, solar has created so many jobs in Utah and helped its economy , I fear if this RMP death sentence is passed it would ruin many careers and families lives. Second is solar helps the environment, I want my kids to someday live in a better world than I do, without all this smog and inversion, solar helps the war on that. Third is keeping choice alive in America, in America we have choice to get the things we want, whole point of going solar is to help the environment and save money, I worry if this RMP initiative is passed that people will no longer have the "choice" to go solar because it wouldn't make financial sense.

Thank you,  
Brendin Featherstone

Sent from my iPhone



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## NEM Docket 14035114

1 message

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**Carrie Clayton** <cdclayton777@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:37 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Commissioners:

I urge the Public Service Commission to deny Rocky Mountain Power's new rate structure that would severely discourage new solar installation and penalize people who have invested in the power of the future.

Thank you,

Carrie Clayton  
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## Save Our Jobs, Families, Environment and Choice

1 message

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**Jared Hallows** <jarednhallows@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:37 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

The proposal made by Rocky Mountain Power on November 9, 2016 is clearly an attempt to further control the energy market in Utah. I understand their desire to protect their business and attempts to eliminate competition; however, as a monopoly which is governed by a board responsible to represent the public, I ask you to take the necessary time to study the issue and develop a plan whereby both Rocky Mountain Power and solar can co-exist.

Rocky Mountain Power's proposal would clearly decimate the solar industry in Utah and therefore leave hundreds of people unemployed at our company and thousand unemployed within the solar industry.

By Rocky Mountain Power's own admission the proposal needs to be studied over a period of months; however, their proposal to institute Schedule 135A starting December 10, 2016 will effectively leave thousands of people unemployed because homeowners can't go solar without knowing the outcome of the proposal and decision by the Service Commission.

Please reject Rocky Mountain Power's proposal to institute Schedule 135A beginning on December 10 and then take the time necessary to develop a plan to save jobs, families, the environment and consumer choice in Utah.

Sincerely,

Jared Hallows



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Solar power

1 message

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**Peter Roland** <peterroland00@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:37 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Please reject the application by Rocky Mountain Power to greatly increase the rates for net metering customers. It will kill solar power in Utah as it has in Nevada and Hawaii. Increased generation of power from solar rooftop installations is in the public interest and benefits all residents of Utah by decreasing CO2 production to mitigate global warming and decreasing air pollution (a serious problem in the SLC area). The interests of a Utility monopoly should not be allowed to supercede the interests of the public.

I neither own nor benefit from any solar rooftop installation but write only to champion what I see as clearly in the interest of all citizens.

Peter Roland  
5652 Porcupine Ridge  
Eden, UT 84310



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Save Utah Solar

1 message

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**Dakota Brown** <dakota.brown@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:38 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

To Whom it May Concern:

I am an employee of Auric Solar headquartered in West Valley, UT. I have been employed here for nearly 3 years and have enjoyed it immensely. I love being able to come to work and know that I am making a difference in the world. When I first started here we only had a handful of employees, and now we have over 200 people working here. That's 200 families that are fed, housed, and clothed because of the solar industry. Not only would the RMP rate increase devastate those families, it would devastate the growth of solar and the benefits that we as a community receive from it.

Thank you for your time.

Dakota Brown

Project Manager

801-916-2770

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## Docket 14-035-114 Net Metering Policy Proposal

1 message

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**Oliver Coupe** <oliver.coupe@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:38 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

Dear PSC,

I am writing this email to you to bare my thoughts about the proposal from Rocky Mountain Power .

First I would like to make a huge valuable point in the fact we as a free country should be able to determine where my energy sources come from. If I choose to live off grid I should be able too. If I want to help RMP with not getting solar I should be able to, It is my choice as a free American.

Second topic would be the jobs that solar has created in such a short vast amount time, thousands of jobs locally . I work for the industry I have never felt more better about working for such a great cause!!!

Please shut down RMP ridiculous rate changes for the American people.

Thank you for your time,

**Oliver Coupe**

**Safety Officer/Fleet Manager**

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## Save Solar

1 message

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**dino kljajic** <dinokljajic56@yahoo.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:36 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

Save solar for me, you, and everyone. I have just started in solar and I'm loving it, I'm helping the community and the world, as a American the right to have a voice about the future is key. Save Solar

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Solar in Utah

1 message

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**Seth Farley** <seth.farley@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:39 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

I would like to express my opinions about solar in Utah. I have two friends that moved from Las Vegas. They are both in the solar energy business. They all lost their jobs because of the rate increase for solar in Nevada. I know Utah is a much greener place to than Nevada. We also have more air problems that most. I would hope that you would take this in to consideration when making a decision on solar in Utah. It's not a want it is a need. Please give people the choice to choose clean air and cheaper energy over coal energy. It's very American to have a choice not a monopoly.

Thanks for your time.

Seth Farley

Residential Campaign Manager

(801) 440-9793





PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Please Don't Poison my Children!

1 message

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**Lisa D** <purpledragen3@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:39 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

This is concerning Docket 14-035-114

Dear Commission that is in Service to the Public,

I have two kids. My son has asthma and can't live in Utah with me! He lives in Iowa where he can breathe easily. Last summer while he was spending summer vacation with me, we had to run to the emergency room and get an inhaler because he couldn't breathe. It was so scary for both of us. Please don't tell me that our air quality here in Utah is good.

We need solar to clean this air up! We also need electric cars, but if they aren't powered by solar, it will just keep making the air so dirty.

I don't have solar, I live in a small apartment, but I know that it's important for our future that everyone get a chance to have solar. Not just rich people, or people in other states and countries! What about Utah? "This is the Place"....

Thanks for listening and thinking about the children.

~Lisa Desouza



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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**Save Utah Solar**

1 message

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**leah ferwerda** <leahcactusflower@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:39 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" &lt;PSC@utah.gov&gt;

To whom it may concern, I am writing this email to you to protest the idea of our rights being taken away for a corporate monopoly. There are so many reasons that Docket 14-035-114 net metering policy can not pass! Not only are you taking away people's right to have solar in the future but eliminating the solar industry in Utah is just like saying you don't want to clean up Utah's air quality here. Do the right thing and say no to RMP corporate greed.

Yours truly Utahn





PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Save Utah Solar! 14-035-114

1 message

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**Cameron Wiseman** <cameron.wiseman@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:40 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

To whom it may concern,

I completely disagree with Rocky Mountain's recent docket proposal to charge solar customers extra money! Please throw out this docket and remove the unfair December 9th deadline to submit a net metering application. This is the definition of a monopoly. This is bullying and unfair business. This has already harmed the solar industry and needs to be taken to a rate case at the least. Please contact me for further comments or let me know about any further action I can take.

Cameron Wiseman  
Sent from my iPhone



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## Rocky mountain proposal

1 message

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**Brittany Thomas** <brittany.thomas@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:40 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

I believe this proposal should be thrown out because I believe that everyone should have a choice in how they get their power, there shouldn't be one company that is able to be in total control, it seems unamerican to me to take away that freedom.

Sent from OWA on Android



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## Save Utah Solar

1 message

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**Trent Anderson** <trent.anderson@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:40 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

To whom it may concern,

I would like to show my concern for what Rocky Mountain Power (PacifiCorp) is trying to do to the Utah solar market with Docket 14-035-114. If this Docket goes through it would be a travesty for the Utah economy. There would be lost jobs and all that we are trying to do to increase the air quality in our great state would be lost.

We need to shut down this proposal and stop letting big monopolies like Rocky Mountain Power throw their weight around and try and push this Docket through. Please take a serious look at this Docket and think of the long term ramifications that will happen to our state if this new net metering policy goes through.

Thank you,

Trent Anderson

Project Manager

[801-979-2205](tel:801-979-2205)





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## Solar!

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**Jess Phillips** <jess.phillips@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:40 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

I want to make sure that Rocky Mountain Power works with the solar industry and the PSC to ensure that they work together to find a solution that works for everyone.

Too much is at stake for us to not take our time exploring options before making decisions that would kill a young industry doing great things.

*Sent from my Verizon 4G LTE Droid*



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## Please Save Utah Solar

1 message

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**Sarah Roghaar** <sarah.roghaar@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:41 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

To whom it may concern:

I ask that you please turn down Rocky Mountain Power's Net Metering Policy Proposal. I am extremely passionate about climate change and the future of our world. If this policy passes, it will discourage people from switching to solar energy and hurting our progress on climate change tremendously. I really want to create a better future for my children and grandchildren to come.

Also, I just recently got a job in the solar industry after months of working part time, unable to find full time work. Please do not take away the opportunities for jobs that the solar industry is providing.

I trust you will make the right decision for the community and the world we live in.

Thank you for your time.

**Sarah Roghaar**

Administrative Sales Support Specialist

(801) 878-3363





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## Docket 14-035-114 Net Metering Policy Proposal

1 message

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**Heath Hinton** <heath.hinton@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:41 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

As an Auric Solar employee this proposal directly affects what I can do for the company and my future employment in the solar industry. I am the Net Metering specialist for the State of Utah and parts of Idaho. As a recently discharged disabled veteran I have found my family here at Auric. They have provided me the sense of brotherhood and an atmosphere of acceptance.

I firmly believe that my career is in total jeopardy and if this proposal goes through there will be many like me who will not have any semblance of job security. We all know the solar industry is growing and this proposal could cost many startup companies to fizzle out before they have the opportunity to hire locals who are in desperate need of a job.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Heath T. Hinton

Utility Relations Coordinator

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[heath.hinton@auricsolar.com](mailto:heath.hinton@auricsolar.com)





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## Save Utah Solar

1 message

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**Alisa Oborn** <always\_smile@msn.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:42 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

To Whom It May Concern,

I am in strong disagreement to the net metering policy proposal for the following reasons:

- Basic rights – this proposal takes away my basic right to choose where my power comes from
- Solar power in general – solar power is an enormous tool for saving the earth and putting restrictions on renewable energy in this way makes solar not affordable, thereby not allowing people to purchase solar
- Solar industry jobs – the solar industry has shown massive growth in the last couple of years and has employed several thousands of people with steady and worthwhile employment.
- Monopoly – this proposal feels much like an attempt to monopolize solar energy and instead of utilizing it as a renewable and environmentally good choice, it is being used as a money maker and the bottom line.

Thank you for your time,

Sincerely,

Alisa Matsumori  
Salt Lake City, UT

Sent from [Outlook](#)



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**RE: Docket 14-035-114 Net Metering Policy**

1 message

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**Michael Lee** <michael8lee@icloud.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:41 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

To whom it may concern,

Rocky Mountain Power's proposed changes will be detrimental to the greater Salt Lake area. Please, please, PLEASE do not let them pass. As an asthmatic who just bought his first house in the Sugar House neighborhood, I have a lot of trepidation about this winter season and the unavoidable inversion it brings with it. We will not improve our air quality if we let Rocky Mountain Power's self-interest de-incentivize sustainable energy solutions.

This issue cannot be about money. We need to think about the public's health and wellness of our children. There are other ways that RMP can address their concerns about losing customers; attacking the solar industry is NOT the way to do that.

Thank you for your consideration,

Michael Lee  
Utah resident and clean energy advocate





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## Rocky Mountain Power

1 message

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**Andrew Gittins** <andrewlgittins@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:43 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

Dear Public service commission,

I would like to express my opinion on the rate increases that Rocky Mountain Power has proposed for net metering customers. There are many reasons why this is a bad idea.

Clean, sustainable energy is the future. It's a big step in securing our future and making sure we have a place that we can live safely. It has finally reached the point where it financially makes sense for people in Utah to use cleaner energy sources.

Solar has greatly helped the economy here in Utah. It has created numerous jobs and has allowed people to take an active approach to planning their future in their homes. In a time where inflation is outpacing social security and other income raises, solar allows people to know what their energy costs will be for the 10 to 20 years.

Capitalism allows the people to decide what they want. The electrical grid is a public utility . If rocky Mountain gets this rate increase it will stop allowing people to have any other options. It will restrict people to only using their coal plants.

Please save utah solar!!

Andrew Gittins  
[801-300-8697](tel:801-300-8697)



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## Save Utah Solar

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**Karlee Reutzal** <karleereutzal@yahoo.com>  
Reply-To: "karleereutzal@yahoo.com" <karleereutzal@yahoo.com>  
To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:41 PM

Dear Public Service Commission,

I am writing you regarding the Docket 14-035-114 Net Metering Policy Proposal. It saddens me that this measure has even continued to this stage as I think it is in direct opposition of the efforts and hard work we in Utah have put forth to secure a safe and clean environment for our families and our future. It is against our basic rights to promote a monopoly and hinder healthy competition and this will ultimately only lead to lost jobs, lost freedom, and lost hope. I urge you to please consider this motion carefully and to think of all of the people who will be negatively affected if this motion is approved.

I sincerely thank you for your time and consideration.

Regards,  
Karlee Powers

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)



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## SAVE SOLAR!!

1 message

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**Justin Hart** <justin.hart@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:44 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

Solar is huge benefit to our local economy, air quality and to the whole worlds air quality. Every solar panel installed is a step in the right direction. We as citizens deserve the right to choose where our power comes from. It would be criminal to remove this right!! Stop RMP and their greedy disgusting behavior just as their sister company NV energy did. I was in Nevada when this occurred and personally saw hundreds of families struggle because of this. PLEASE DO WHAT IS RIGHT!!

Sincerely

Justin Hart

Sent from my iPhone



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## Docket 14-035-114 Net Metering Policy Proposal

1 message

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**Jake Anderson** <jake.anderson@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:44 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

To whom it concerns,

PLEASE ABOLISH THIS PROPOSAL!

There are 3 main points that I would like to share that I feel strongly about in regards to What RMP is trying to push through:

1 – PROTECT RENEW ABLE ENERGY IN UTAH! Coal is dirty and over 70% of Utah is powered on this. Let solar THRIVE and be the example for the rest of the Nation! Utah's inversion is getting worse! We need better power solutions that provide cleaner options!

2 - This will affect my Industry. I work in the Solar industry. Working to help make Utah environment clean! This proposal could jeopardize my ability to provide income for my family of 7! Please consider the JOBS that this proposal will impact.

3 – This takes away our rights to have "choice". This policy will take away the People' s ability to have a choice when it comes to solar . We are in a nation that protects these rights. Pushing this policy through is taking away anyone's ability to transition into Solar in the future.

Please do not let this pass!!

Thank you for your time in reading this,

~Jake Anderson

Jake Anderson

Residential Energy Consultant  
(801) 310-2378





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## Rocky Mountain Solar Rate Increase

1 message

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**Dusty Sundquist** <dusty.sundquist@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:45 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

I am writing you today to express my concern to the rate increase proposed by Rocky Mountain Power on solar customers. Rocky Mountain Power says it supports solar and its environmental benefits as part of its green sky program, but its rate increase will really hurt the solar industry which has been one of the fastest growing industries here in Utah over the past 5 years. The rate increase will make it take three times as long for customers to get their money back from their investment of solar power. Rocky Mountain Power already doesn't pay its customers for any excess power their solar systems produce in Utah. Everyone here in Utah deals with smog every winter, but solar will greatly help reduce this and Rocky Mountain Power is more worried about its bottom line then cleaning up the air as they claim in their green sky program.

Please make the right decision and stop the rate increase.

Thanks,

Dusty Sundquist



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## Don't Let RMP Kill Solar

1 message

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**Nick Cummings** <nick.p.cummings@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:46 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

To whom it may concern,

I am a Utah resident and have lived in SLC my entire life. I love it here, but am very concerned with the air quality in the valley. I have two young children now and they both have respiratory issues when the air quality is poor. I wonder If Salt Lake is going to be the place for us long term.

Solar has been on our minds for a long time, but we are not in a position to get solar on our home now. I am worried that if RMP passes the current proposed bill we will never be able to afford it. Solar is something that is common since. It's power from the sun that will be available to us forever It is also much better for our environment then what the coal that RMP burns.

With Utah's strong economy we are going to see much more population growth, and as result, more bad air . Lets make smart decisions to make Utah a great place to live for future generations! Please don't let RMP Kill residential solar in Utah!

Sincerely,

Nick Cummings



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## Save Utah Solar

1 message

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**Christopher Freehill** <christopher.freehill@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:46 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" &lt;PSC@utah.gov&gt;

I believe that it is important to not only our jobs but for our community to have Solar energy. Utah is leading in worst air quality in the US and this problem will continue to get worse if Solar is not saved. We owe it to our kids and future generations to come. Solar not only helps the quality of air but it also helps our economy. People all over Utah have jobs in Solar. Some do it for more than just the paycheck. Like myself, some do this to help their community and work in a field that is rewarding and beneficial for our community. I don't think Rocky Mountain Power is need of more money. They make plenty as is. They need to allow us to clean the air and make a real change in our community. I hope there is enough people to really make a difference. I truly believe that people should have the choice to have Solar or not. It's the same as phone companies. If they all can learn to get along, so should we. The people of Rocky Mountain Power live here too and I don't see why they wouldn't want clean air for themselves. Let's really make a difference and get our voices heard in saving Solar

Thank you.





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## Save Utah Solar!!!!

1 message

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**Mechelle Saunders** <mechelle.saunders@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:46 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" &lt;PSC@utah.gov&gt;

To Whom it May Concern,

My name is Mechelle Saunders. I am an employee at Auric Solar . A company that has shown me great ways to save our planet and taught me all that I need to know about sharing that knowledge. I am writing to voice my opinion on Rocky Mountain Power's proposal to add charges for those who choose to have solar. It is wrong. We should all have the right to choose where our power comes from. Being someone who cares about our environment and the effect that the electric companies are having on our clean air. We all need to stand together and work together to make this world a better place for our future and our children's future. If Rocky Mountain Power raises the fees for Solar owners it makes it harder for our community to afford solar. This would make their fighting chance to better their situation and environment an expensive fight.

This rate change is not being fair to those who choose solar as their alternative energy source. It's not fair to charge them extra when they are using the power they produce and giving any extra back to the grid. Yes, Rocky Mountain Power will have to accommodate for the amount sent back to the grid, but it isn't significant enough to cause a rate increase.

When we work together we can accomplish a lot more than if we fight against each other. Why not focus on being a company that provides solar and electricity? Why not come together to better our choices instead of fight against and force this charges.

I'm standing up to say that I disagree with RMP' s added charges.

Mechelle Saunders

Commercial Sales Analyst

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**SAVE MY JOB!!!!**

1 message

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**Jimmy Bosserman** <jimmy.bosserman@auricsolar.com>  
To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:46 PM

To whom it may concern,

I wanted to take a brief moment to email you regarding Docket 14-03544 Metering Policy Proposal. I currently work in the Solar industry and as an American I have chosen this industry to bring Food to the Table of my small family of 4. My daughter loves driving around with me on a Sunday afternoon and she points out all the solar panels that are mounted on the rooftops of Utahns. She points out that we are saving trees and allowing people to breathe with every panel of renewable energy that goes up. This is dignity in this! I do this because I believe in making this world far better for my children than it currently is now. What Rocky Mountain Power is trying to propose is Ludicrous and **UNAMERICAN** because it takes away our right to choose where our energy comes from. If you pass this bill you will be killing the solar industry and taking away thousands of jobs here in Utah. If you pass this bill you will be taking away our chance to choose! If we don't have a choice in the matter that what principles are we really living by as Americans. The right to choose my energy source is as essential as the right to choose my own religion or bear arms!

Solar energy brings only positive results to those of us living in this great state of Utah. It brings jobs and clean energy which is greatly needed within the confines of these mountain ranges that we live in. I am begging you to please do the right thing here and allow choice to prevail. Don't allow Rocky Mountain Power to take that away from me and my family. If you would like to reach out to me, I would love the opportunity to allow my voice to be heard. Thank you so much for your time and consideration in this matter.

Thank you,

Jimmy Bosserman

Utah Sales Manager

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## Docket 14-035-114

1 message

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**Dave Melrose** <dave.melrose@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:48 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

To whom it may concern,

I feel obligated to contact you with regards to Docket 14-035-114 and Rocky Mountain Power's proposed rate changes.

Please, for the sake of my own and my co-workers jobs, for the sake of our air quality and for the sake of protecting our right to choose where our power comes from, reject this proposal from Rocky Mountain Power.

The continuing situation in Nevada provides us with an excellent blue print for where this proposal will lead. The job losses in the solar industry and subsequent backlash against the power company there are lessons for us in Utah to learn from. We can and must avoid repeating the same mistakes in our state.

Thanks,

**Dave Melrose**

**Commercial Project Manager**

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**Docket 14-035-114**

1 message

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**Shea Kendall** <hsheakendall@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:48 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

To whom it concerns,

I want to voice my thoughts feeling and disgust in regards to what RMP is proposing in Docket 14-035-114. I can't help but feel bullied and like I'm being taken advantage of as I hear what outrageous steps RMP is trying to take to continue to pollute the air here in Utah, remove the option of choice, and put thousands out of work by trying to snuff out the solar industry here in Utah. Especially where my livelihood and my ability to support my family is in jeopardy . To even consider this would mean the PSC holds the same values as RMP and is contributing to the poor air quality , removing choices in our community and wants to take jobs away from their neighbors. What RMP is trying to do is un-American, un-utahan, and trying to side-step processes that protect their customers.

Please don't allow this to happen. Vote down or at least to rate case this Docket

Shea Kendall

West Jordan Resident  
RMP customer  
Net metering customer  
Solar Industry employee



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Save Solar!

1 message

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**chris.t.grainger** <chris.t.grainger@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:48 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

We need to put an end to this policy that Rocky Mountain Power is proposing. It will limit the amount of potential that solar offers, not just to improving the Utah air quality, but also to the thousands of jobs it provides. The reason RMP has/ is trying so hard to impede this industry from succeeding is because it offers a threat to their profitability. They are putting the environment and all Utah citizens at risk because they don't want their wallets to get any lighter. Thousands of people are installing solar because of how affordable it has become. Passing this bill would be a major step backwards for us, progressively and environmentally speaking. We need to fight this. We need to show them that we deserve a right to choose how we obtain our power. We need to promote the idea that the only way towards a sustainable future is through the use of renewable energy.

-Chris Grainger

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone



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## RMP proposal

1 message

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**Angie Milner** <angie.milner@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:49 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

To Whom It May Concern:

I'm writing to express my concern about the new proposal from Rocky Mountain Power regarding solar in Utah.

One of my biggest concerns is our valley has significant air quality issues, especially in the winter . I have asthma, and anything that can help improve the air quality shouldn't be penalized. Solar can help with point of source emissions, especially as the population grows.

I would like to install solar for my family which is already expensive, and there would be barriers created by this proposal that would make it more expensive and harder for families like mine to install and benefit from solar .

In recent years the solar industry in Utah has grown exponentially , and created many jobs for the state, proposals like this are bound to stop the job growth in this field, which is bad all around.

I urge you to reject this proposal from Rocky Mountain Power and consider the many customers who are hoping to one day install solar for all of its benefits.

Thank you,  
Angie Milner



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## Save Solar Utah

1 message

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**Jared Sorensen** <jaredjsorensen@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:50 PM

To: Psc@utah.gov

To whom it may concern,

Utah deserves the solar option without being penalized to do so. You would wonder why the idea to charge utahns more to go solar is even up vote when the word inversion hangs strangles the very valley we love so much. Solar power is not just about money, it's about futures, mine and my children's, and our entire state.

I work for a solar company. My best friend works for a solar company. In fact I personally know 7 people who work for 6 different solar companies that I knew prior to being employed by one. That's our economy. That's families. Allowing the utility companies to punish Utahns for going solar is a threat to all of those people I know , and their families. That is why I write you, because I want to protect theirs, and mine. Say no, reject, shoot down, laugh it, whatever you need to do but do not say yes to net metering fees. It will destroy solar in utah, and in the process, unravel so many families ability to survive and make ends meet. Please, and mean this, please say no. Thank you for your time.

Jared Sorensen  
[801-882-6781](tel:801-882-6781)  
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## Save Solar: Alternative Energy all the way!

1 message

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**Bob McAllaster** <bobmcallaster@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:50 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

Dear PSC,

We need you to stop or block Rocky Mountain Powers move to limit the growth of solar . The solar industry creates great jobs and helps Utah be a cleaner environment by lowering the carbon footprint. Solar is good for the community. RMP is just acting to defend their monopoly of power distribution that all utilities have enjoyed. It's time to change and stopping this RMP proposal is the right thing to do.

Best regards,  
Bob McAllaster



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## Rocky Mountain Power's Proposed Rate Increase

1 message

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**Justin Osborn** <justinosborn2@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:50 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Hello,

Please do not approve Rocky Mountain Power's proposed rate increase!

First off, my job would be in jeopardy as I work in the solar industry. My company has hired many people in the short time I have been here and continues to hire due to the high demand of solar in Utah. More than a few of those are vets that have found a place to belong. Our jobs would be at risk. Nevada made that mistake. Please don't let Utah follow.

Second, we need to start somewhere when it comes to creating cleaner energy. If the rate increase happens, the cost savings of solar will greatly decrease if not go away completely. Who will buy solar then? The choice will be taken away from many as they will not be able to afford it.

Third, we can make strides forward in air quality through solar. Our air quality in the Salt Lake Valley can be very bad. My nephew Grayson's asthma flares up because of the air quality in the winter. The only relief he finds is when he is able to leave the valley. How many other Graysons are there who suffer because of poor air quality?

Please do not approve the increase.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Justin Osborn



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## Save Solar!!!

1 message

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**Chris Grainger** <chris.grainger@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:50 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" &lt;PSC@utah.gov&gt;

We need to put an end to this policy that Rocky Mountain Power is proposing. It will limit the amount of potential that solar offers, not just to improving the Utah air quality, but also to the thousands of jobs it provides. The reason RMP has/ is trying so hard to impede this industry from succeeding is because it offers a threat to their profitability. They are putting the environment and all Utah citizens at risk because they don't want their wallets to get any lighter. Thousands of people are installing solar because of how affordable it has become. Passing this bill would be a major step backwards for us, progressively and environmentally speaking. We need to fight this. We need to show them that we deserve a right to choose how we obtain our power. We need to promote the idea that the only way towards a sustainable future is through the use of renewable energy.

Chris Grainger

Electrical Designer  
(203) 733-6540



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## Rocky Mountain Power and rooftop solar

1 message

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**Kirsten Dockstader** <krisdock@hotmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:51 PM

To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

I am opposed to rate increases by Rocky Mountain Power on rooftop solar and net metering users. The solar industry provides many benefits for the state of Utah, for example, job creation and cleaner air. Solar users should not be penalized for individual actions to reduce the need for additional power any more than customers who choose to use less electricity through conservation.

Thank you,

Kirsten Dockstader

2575 E 3210 South

Salt Lake City, UT 84109



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Save Utah Solar

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**Tyson Ator** <tyson.ator@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:51 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

To whom it may concern,

I appreciate your time to take a moment to acknowledge this email. I just hope my voice will be heard among the thousands of others who are working together in support of solar in Utah.

The benefits are great in allowing green renewable energy to power our home and commercial buildings along the wasarch front as well. Having been born and reared in Utah my whole life I have seen the changes in the climate and the pollution that we suffer from non renewables. There is no such thing as a clean fossil fuel.

I ask that you take the time to consider the benefit that solar has not only for the the people employed by the solar industry but for our quality of life and life for future generations to come. Thank you.

Tyson Ator



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## Save Utah Solar!

1 message

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**Jason Morgan** <jason.morgan@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:51 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" &lt;PSC@utah.gov&gt;

The changes from Rocky Mountain Power cannot be approved! This is a direct threat to my livelihood and thousands of others that rely on this amazing industry to ensure Utahans have a choice of where they can get electrical power . This booming industry brings jobs and income tax into the state improving the quality of life for everyone. Consumers cannot possibly be punished for doing their part for the environment.

With the black eye that NV Energy created still fresh, we can't allow the same to happen here. Please don't allow this devastating change and affect every generation from this day forward. Thank you.

Jason S. Morgan



Energy Consultant

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## Save Utah Solar

1 message

**Chris Freehill** <cfreehi@yahoo.com>  
 Reply-To: Chris Freehill <cfreehi@yahoo.com>  
 To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:47 PM

I believe that it is important to not only our jobs but for our community to have Solar energy. Utah is leading in worst air quality in the US and this problem will continue to get worse if Solar is not saved. We owe it to our kids and future generations to come. Solar not only helps the quality of air but it also helps our economy. People all over Utah have jobs in Solar. Some do it for more than just the paycheck. Like myself, some do this to help their community and work in a field that is rewarding and beneficial for our community. I don't think Rocky Mountain Power is need of more money. They make plenty as is. They need to allow us to clean the air and make a real change in our community. I hope there is enough people to really make a difference. I truly believe that people should have the choice to have Solar or not. It's the same as phone companies. If they all can learn to get along, so should we. The people of Rocky Mountain Power live here too and I don't see why they wouldn't want clean air for themselves. Let's really make a difference and get our voices heard in saving Solar.

Thank you.



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## RMP proposal docket 14-035-114

1 message

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**Stephanie Cole** <stephmcole20@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:52 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

To whom it may concern,

I am reaching out in regards to Rocky Mountain Power's net metering proposal. I am asking that you please shut down this proposal. I firmly believe that citizens should have the choice in where their power comes from. I don't believe that allowing Rocky Mountain Power to monopolize power usage in Utah is ethical. Utah is one of the nations hottest markets for solar right now. I currently do not have solar but I know that in the future I would love to be able to power my house from the sun and while doing so reduce my carbon footprint. I also believe that shutting down this proposal will help save Utah's economy along with all the current jobs and potential future jobs that solar provides. Please consider all the people that would be affected now and in the years to come!

Sincerely,

A concerned citizen

Stephanie Cole





PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## SAVE SOLAR

1 message

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**Samantha Barney** <sbarney@tjoinc.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:53 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

Please reject Rocky Mountain Power's Net Metering Proposal 14-035-114. Solar is one of the easiest ways to ensure a better world for our children. Do not pass this bill. Do not tax the sun. Do the right thing.

Sincerely,

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### **Samantha Barney**

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## Save Utah Solar

1 message

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**Nick Pruksirisombut** <nick.pruksirisombut@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:56 PM

To: "PSC@UTAH.GOV" &lt;PSC@utah.gov&gt;

To whom It may concern,

I have to reach out to your guys regarding RMP's proposal to destroy Solar industry in Utah. Clean energy is always my passion since I am a father of 7 years old boy who was born in Salt lake city . I have seen tons of news and studies talking about how bad the air quality in this area and they have been suggested that everyone should come together to help eliminate air pollution in the valley.

Here is my little story , I have done my Solar training course at Salt Lake Community college three years ago, then I finished all requirements to be able to sit for the certified Professional installation from [www.NABCEP.org](http://www.NABCEP.org). Finally, I have passed the exam and became certified since April, 2015. I have been working in solar industry for almost 3 years; moreover I have 5.4KW solar system installed on house which is located right in city boundary for 1 year and a half. Because I have confidence in what I am doing will gradually help all people who may or may not believe in the positive effect on the air quality. I cannot express enough how much happiness I experience when I think I do a right thing due to not only reduce the carbon foot print but to be able to create cleaner air for my son and other people.

Finally , count on me one tiny voice to stop EMP' s proposal.

Thank you.

Nick Pruksirisombut

Electrical Designer  
(801) 878-3363





PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## solar

1 message

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**Luke Gibson** <luke.gibson@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:56 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

I would just like to stress my thoughts on this. I love the environment and the clean air I breath. With giving rocky mtn the power to shut down solar that will not only destroy the beautiful state I live in but will take away my job.



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Rocky Mountain Power's Greed must be stopped

1 message

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**Richard Bishop** <richard.auric@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:56 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

To Whom it may concern:

I am writing to ask all of you fine folks to deny Rocky Mountain Power's current request to adjust the power rates along with the net metering functionality.

Solar as it currently stands with its incentives and rebates is essential for Utah probably more than any other state.

We need better air quality and Solar is definitely a factor in helping with this. Rocky Mountain Power needs some major pushback until they realize that they cannot control electricity and it is only the American way to give us as citizens the options that we deserve. Their proposal will be the death of hundreds if not thousands of good jobs in our state, and is only an indication of their greed and lack of consideration for the environment and our very health.

They must be held accountable for their contributions to our bad air quality, and as such should happily welcome their customer's rooftop solar systems to offset their usage and power bills.

Please do what is right for our state and reject their current proposal. Our air quality, jobs, and overall freedom to choose depends on it.

Thanks,  
Richard Bishop  
Kearns, UT



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## Save Utah Solar, Save Utah Jobs

1 message

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Ashlee Ator <aator@my.wgu.edu>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:58 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in regards to the net metering proposal by Rocky Mountain Power. I'm not sure if my voice will even be heard, but I have to reach out and voice my opinion in the hopes that the right thing will be done. I am not a solar customer, however I work closely with solar in Utah, and I do believe firmly that passing this policy is NOT the correct thing to do. I have signed the petition and cannot express how devastating passing this policy would be to our state. Many people are arguing that those who do not have solar or do not plan to use solar are simply not affected by this proposal. But millions of people working in the solar industry, which is one of the fastest growing markets in Utah, would be at risk of unemployment if this were to pass. I am currently the only income in my family, and I know many other people within this state whose families are entirely dependent on the jobs they have to provide as the only income. As it is, many of these people are trying to make it by as they are. Passing this proposal would absolutely destroy the ability for thousands upon thousands of people to feed their children and make sure a roof is over their heads.

To think of how many people would be out of jobs makes me sick to my stomach, but even more so is the fact that passing this takes away a persons ability to choose. The reason I feel safe as an American is because I know I always have the ability to choose if i do or do not want to do something.

**I urge you to understand the devastating affect this would have on our state and our economy. Please, please, PLEASE say no.**

Ashlee Nichole Ator

Utah Resident and Auric Solar Client Relationship Specialist



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## RMP Proposal Docket 14-035-114 Net Metering Policy

1 message

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**Makenna Cordingley** <makennahales@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 12:59 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

To Whom it May Concern:

The purpose of this email is to voice my concerns over the recent Rocky Mountain Power rate increase proposal. First and foremost I believe Rocky Mountain Power is abusing their power over the community. We don't allow bullying in schools. why should we allow bullying by a monopoly? If these changes take effect we are jumping backwards in our fight for a better, cleaner atmosphere. Utah is a state with some of the poorest air quality and those that have taken steps to decrease the need for coal should not be punished.

I believe Rocky Mountain Power should be stopped. Please do not let us take a step backwards in this fight. It is my wish that my children have a clean and safe state to grow up in. Please let my voice be heard.

Thank you,

Makenna Cordingley  
A Proud Utah Resident



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## Save Solar

1 message

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**Randy Hansen** <randy.hansen@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:00 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" &lt;PSC@utah.gov&gt;

To Whom It May Concern

This should concern everyone that would like a choice and voice on how we as a country and state would like to move forward with our energy needs. I would like to reach out to you today to voice my concern regarding docket 14-035-114 net metering proposal.

I started with Auric Solar in August of this year because one, I was looking for a career that had a long term sustainability, the sun comes out every day and two, I was looking for a stable company, Auric is debt free. I was just laid off in an industry where the the government is hurting, healthcare. Federal and State solar tax incentives as well as a choice when it comes to an individual power needs are driving this industries growth. This proposal would put me and my family out of work! By rejecting this proposal you would not put anyone out of work and we could move forward with the question of where our future energy needs and demands come from.

It has come to my dismay that Rocky Mountain Power is trying to kill the solar industry in Utah. It's hard to contemplate the government trying to help an industry and a monopoly trying to destroy it. Our air quality in Utah is among the worst in the nation. 22 red air quality days is equivalent to smoking a half pack of cigarettes a day. We as an industry can provide an alternative solutions to this growing problem.

We are at a crossroads in this country when it comes to how are we going to sustain our growth while still protecting what little air quality that we have. Solar is a vital and key component to this change. We, Solar are on the right side of this problem.

Sincerely,

Randy Hansen

Energy Consultant

(801) 386-4667





PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## Save Utah Solar

1 message

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**Steve Goff** <steve.goff@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:00 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" &lt;PSC@utah.gov&gt;

To Whom It May Concern,

I work in the solar industry and am concerned about the future of solar in Utah. We know the nightmare of what happened in Nevada and know now that there is a better solution. When Nevada made their decision, which they ultimately reversed, we had hundreds of solar energy consultants contacting us to try to come to work here because it killed the solar industry in Nevada. People had to uproot their families and ultimately a lot of jobs left Nevada to move to other states. It was a mass exodus of hundreds of companies and thousands from the workforce.

For too long we have tolerated monopolies in the energy sector making us susceptible to fixed pricing and a lack of fair competition. Due to the restriction of trade it has allowed Rocky Mountain Power and it's parent company PacifiCorp to make outrageous profits that have put a strain on the average home in Utah. This is also a company who has no concern for the environment without being forced.

It's time we enter into a new era in Utah. One that is more environmentally friendly and actually does something about cleaning up our unhealthy air. We should be leaders when it comes to clean air and looking for new solutions. We cannot keep doing things the way that we have or our results will only get worse. There is one solution when it comes to our environment and that is go against shareholders and be better stewards of our land.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter

**Steve Goff**

Energy Consultant

[801-518-4477](tel:801-518-4477)







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## Please Save Utah's Solar Industry

1 message

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**Kelly Williams** <kelly.williams@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:00 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" &lt;PSC@utah.gov&gt;

To all involved,

My name is Kelly Williams and I'm writing to you today in regards to Rocky Mountain Powers proposal involving rooftop installed solar systems. The Utah solar industry has single handily improved the quality of life for me and my family more so than anything else. After years of struggling to find a reliable and viable job to provide for myself and my family I was fortunate enough to find a career within the Utah Solar Industry. The positive impact it has made on my life is beyond words. If this proposal passes I feel that not only my job will be at stake but my ability to make a living in the place I've called home my entire life and hold so dear as I will be forced to find work in my field outside of the state of Utah. I know I am not alone in this as thousands of my fellow colleagues are in the same predicament. So I urge you, please help save the jobs of thousands of Utah residents, help promote one of the most stable areas of this great states economy and help save the Utah solar industry. Please reject Rocky Mountain Powers proposal regarding solar power in Utah. As always, your time and consideration are greatly appreciated.

Thanks,

Kelly Williams  
Installer/Auric Solar  
[801.783.0466](tel:801.783.0466)  
[Kelly.Williams@auricsolar.com](mailto:Kelly.Williams@auricsolar.com)

Sent from my iPhone



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Docket 14-035-114 Net Metering Policy Proposal

1 message

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Lo Yangali <loyangali@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:01 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Hi!

I just wanted to share my personal input on the net metering proposal. I often have a hard time breathing with our air quality and the fact that more Utah citizens are becoming greener getting solar and electric cars, it gives me hope that I won't have to leave Utah in order to have good health.

The biggest reason people have invested in solar is because we've made big strides in making it affordable and this proposal is going to greatly discourage people from investing in a product that can help clean up Utah air. Utah has campaigns and programs that encourage people to take action for a better, cleaner, environment. Passing this policy seems counter productive to what Utah is trying to achieve.

Please help achieve a better Utah and turn down this proposal,

Lo Yangali  
West Jordan, UT



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## Save Utah Solar

1 message

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**Bobby Gibson** <bobby@inblueproductions.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:02 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

PSC,

I have signed the petition and voice my option to oppose the new changes proposed by Rocky Mountain Power!

We deserve a choice in where our energy comes from and Solar and other renewables provide that for us. It is embarrassing that RMP thinks that they can ram this change down our thoughts.

Protect Utah's economy and save the jobs created by solar

Look at what has happened in Nevada!

RMP is on the wrong side of this and they are a monopoly not operating in the best interests of the people of this fine state!

STOP RMP from bullying the little guys and give us all our American right to have a choice!

Thank you for your time!

Best



**Bobby Gibson**

**In-Blue Productions**

**801-540-8509**

**bobby@inblueproductions.com**



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## Threats to clean energy

1 message

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**shazzamm@comcast.net** <shazzamm@comcast.net>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:02 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

To Whom it may concern:

I am writing to voice my thoughts on Rocky Mountain Power's ongoing request to adjust the power rates along with today's functionality in terms of net metering.

We need solar today and net metering with its credits as unused power is fed back into the grid deserves the credits as Rocky Mountain Power then sells this same energy to others. Nothing is free and they certainly cannot think that they should pay little to nothing for the extra energy that customers feed back into the grid when they are pulling back out of the grid at night and also during the winter months of less sunlight. Solar power with its incentives and rebates are definitely essential for Utah probably more than any other state. We need better air quality and Solar is a huge factor in helping with this. We need your help in giving Rocky Mountain Power the major pushback they deserve until they realize that they cannot control electricity and it is only the American way to give us as citizens the options that we deserve. Their proposal will be the death of hundreds if not thousands of good jobs in our state, and what they are asking for is only an indication of their greed and lack of consideration for the environment and our very health.

They must be held accountable for their contributions to our bad air quality, and as such should happily welcome their customer's rooftop solar systems to offset their usage and power bills.

Please do what is right for our state and reject their current proposal. Our air quality, jobs, and overall freedom to choose depends on it.

Thanks,  
Richard



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## RMP Solar rate change request

1 message

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**John Milano** <JRMilano@comcast.net>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:09 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

PSC,

While I may not agree with the idea that a for profit company provides their own numbers to justify the number of \$400.00 per customer to cover an equalized infrastructure maintenance cost I don't have the resources to analyze their numbers but the PSC should certainly verify their numbers. RMP likewise charges a premium if a customer chooses to use Rocky Mountain Power Solar as well as requesting private solar to pay extra to be connected to the grid. Where has been the analysis of customers who don't purchase enough power to cover the raw cost of consumed power as well as the \$400 annually for infrastructure maintenance.

The carbon energy companies have been subsidized consistently thus providing an artificial cost for RMP's Power, the latest being an originally approved 53 million dollar tax supplied fund to enhance their ability to continue to make an ongoing profit and since RMP/Pacific Corp. produces their own coal there appears to be a very large conflict of interest when they provide their own numbers to justify their rate increases and pin it on the 1% or residential solar power.

If the PSC truly believes that they can only look at the increase rate for solar customers to pay RMP's connection costs without factoring in the negative affect it will have on the promotion of alternative energy they are being short sighted. When a solar installation goes in there is a tremendous positive impact on the local economy. The tax credits provided by the Federal Government is money that comes back to Utah to be spent here. Between the fees paid to local governments, wages paid to local installation crews and the supplies purchased locally the economic impact cannot be ignored and the negative impact of this request rate structure will have.

If I can't pencil out a positive payback within 12 years which only happens with Tax incentives I can't justify spending the \$40,000 for solar and will leave that money out of the Utah economic cycle which means everyone loses except RMP, the economy, the environment, Utah employment, future alternative businesses, and the consumer you're supposed to protect.

Please take a close look at the far ranging affects an approval of this rate change will have on Utah. Please deny this Rocky Mountain Power rate change request.

John Milano

801-209-7266

[JRMilano@comcast.net](mailto:JRMilano@comcast.net)



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## Utah's Solar Industry costs MUST stay low .

1 message

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**Kate Auman** <kate.auman@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:02 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

Dear Governor Herbert,

On November 9, Rocky Mountain Power filed a request before the Public Service Commission to raise rates on rooftop systems.

The fees are among the highest proposed by any utility around the nation on rooftop solar customers. If imposed, the fees would effectively end the growth of the rooftop solar and devastate the solar industry in Utah.

The solar industry provides almost 4000 jobs in the state and hundreds of millions of dollars in economic activity. All of which will be negatively affected if these fees are put into place. You only have to look toward Nevada to see the effect. Their commission imposed outrageous fees on owners and overnight hundreds of solar industry jobs were lost.

Utah prides itself as an economic development state. Your office has worked hard to cultivate growth and it has paid off. If these fees are imposed one of the fastest growing industries in the state will be greatly harmed.

Beyond that, this is our Earth, God's creation. How would He have it be treated

Your leadership on this issue is critical.

Kate Auman  
20 Canyon Cove  
Logan UT 84321

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K. Auman



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Public Comment

1 message

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**Chris @ CiviComment** <civicomment@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:06 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

To whom it may concern,

I just noticed you are still collecting public comment via email. Would you be interested to use our [CiviComment app](#) for free in your next project to evaluate if it makes your job easier? Simply upload a PDF, collect comments directly on the PDF and generate reports, all automatically.

Sign up for a [free trial project of CiviComment](#) or reach out with any questions you may have.

Best regards,

Chris Haller, Founder

Click [here](#) if you would not like to hear from us





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## Save Utah Solar.

1 message

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**Boston Anderson** <bostononi@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:07 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

There are so many benefits to Solar and to the competition of power companies. Please, please, please don't put countless businesses in danger of failure by blocking the opportunities Solar power brings.

-Boston Anderson

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~Boston



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## Docket 14-035-114 Net Metering Policy Proposal

1 message

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**Jud Smith** <jud.smith@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:07 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" &lt;PSC@utah.gov&gt;

Public service commission,

I would like to share my opinions on the 14-035-1 14 net metering proposal. I see this as a step back for Utah crippling an emerging solar market and hindering the states initiative to clean the air. I feel this is an anti-competitive bill and does not have the Utahn's best interests in mind. I believe it will eliminate jobs and take away choices from consumers. Thanks for reading my thoughts.

Jud Smith

Project Manager

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[Jud.smith@auricsolar.com](mailto:Jud.smith@auricsolar.com)





PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Docket 14-035-114

1 message

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**Tobey Smith** <tobey.smith@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:09 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

To Whom It May Concern,

I am very interested in protecting the Utah Solar industry and the right for consumers to have the choice in where they get their power.

In my opinion Rocky Mountain Powers proposal will hurt Utah's jobs. Mine in particular. I work in the solar industry and want to protect my job and insure the creation of thousands of new jobs in the near future.

Please vote NO on this proposal.

Thankyou!

Tobey Smith

[801-427-7855](tel:801-427-7855)



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## Net Meter Proposal

1 message

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**4tag@comcast.net** <4tag@comcast.net>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:12 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

I am writing as a concern individual on your Net meter proposal policy I am totally against this proposal, even though I am not a solar customer the impact that this proposal will have not only on the customers who have solar which I am sure the majority of them are concerned for the environment and air quality and that is the reason for their decision on solar but I also believe in the Right of individuals to have the choice of where their power comes from. I am also concerned that this will impact the thousands of jobs that Utah has in this industry and the people who may be at risk for losing their jobs and what that would do on our economy I am also concerned that if in the future if myself or my children decide to go forward with going solar that it will no longer be a favorable. We as American citizens should have that right to make the choice of how we want to power our homes. There is no reason to punish Utahans who are trying to save money via solar apart from the greed of the Power Company. It angers me that as a Power customer that my rates constantly go up and if there is a better, cleaner and cheaper way to receive power via solar which may be something I may look into in the future.

Please do not allow this proposal to move forward for the sake of present and future customers.

Thank you

Tammy Grainger



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## Shut Down Rocky Mountains proposal Docket 14-035-1 14 Net Metering Policy

1 message

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**Debbie Coffin** <debbiecoffin@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:12 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Public Service Commission,

I urge you to read aloud each letter you have received and ask yourself, What do the people want?

I'm not a solar customer at this time but ever much want to be. What Rocky Mountain Power is not in the interest of the public but for there own controlling ways and for economical growth.

I have personally spoken to RMP employees who have said Solar user have only changed when the peak demands are not how much that is being used. It used to be high demands were during the day now its at night.

It was sneaky and unprofessional for RMP to put this in place on election day so it has not been given the attention need for the vast majority to even know what is going on let alone time to react. Then asking for a decision to be made in 30 days in unacceptable, also this be handled by a rate case so every aspect of what they are saying can be proven or denied.

We need solar in Utah to help our environment, clean our air bring back the climate needed to save our economy. You and I can see and feel the changes that are already happening to our state. It's now hotter and drier then ever before and it's not just Utah its the whole United States.

This will kill jobs, make people unemployed, unemployment rate go up, and our climate won't get better .

It is your job to insure we have a choice where and how we get our power. It is Not the choice of RMP to decide where and how We as the public gets our power. RMP has had the market cornered for years because we as the public didn't have a choice or it wasn't affordable enough. Now we do and we choose to use clean energy, we pay the price to invest in product and services for ourselves to produce clean power at a cost we take on. We help RMP by reducing the the daytime peak power demands, We help the environment by providing clean renewable energy to others without any cost, only because the sun came up we created energy and shared it at no cost to those are us. The sun is free and we should use it, don't let RMP give you false information incorrectly stating twisted fact that only benefit themselves and don't clearly show true and correct information.

Shut Them DOWN, Don't let this pass, this would and will be the biggest mistake you ever make. My kids, your kids, your grand kids, and great grand kids will grow up hearing what happens on this topic, What do you want there thoughts to be?

Debbie Coffin



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## Docket 14-035-114 Net Metering Policy Proposal

1 message

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**Donald K. Dufour** <donniedu4@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:14 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

Good Afternoon,

My name is Donald, and I'm writing you today to express my concerns in regards to Docket 14-035-1 14.

I am a 25 year old college graduate, who moved to Utah for two reasons. I believe in clean, renewable energy and Utah's pro business stance offered a promising start to my career.

Rocky Mountain Powers proposal undermines both of those values. It puts thousands of Utah jobs at risk. In addition, it takes away the option for people to choose where there power comes from, and who supplies it. Taking away our options as a society is not only unethical, but its un-american.

Without getting too political, I am genuinely concerned with the direction this country is heading. I have a 9 month old son, who is the greatest gift I've ever been blessed with. I treat the preservation of this planet, its resources, and the treatment of its people as my own personal responsibility. I owe it to my family, my community, and my country to put fourth my best efforts towards sustainable living.

Please, reject this bill. At the very least, allow for a comprehensive case study to be conducted.

Why?

1. To protect Utah Jobs.
2. To preserve our right to choose.
3. To reduce air pollution, and better our communities here in Utah.

Sincerely,

Donald K. Dufour  
[801-634-5456](tel:801-634-5456)



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## The fight against Rocky Mountain Power's Solar charges

1 message

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**Mechelle Saunders** <meeshmybelle@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:17 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

To Whom it May Concern,

My name is Mechelle Saunders. I am an employee at Auric Solar. A company that has shown me great ways to save our planet and taught me all that I need to know about sharing that knowledge. I am writing to voice my opinion on Rocky Mountain Power's proposal to add charges for those who choose to have solar. It is wrong. We should all have the right to choose where our power comes from. Being someone who cares about our environment and the effect that the electric companies are having on our clean air. We all need to stand together and work together to make this world a better place for our future and our children's future. If Rocky Mountain Power raises the fees for Solar owners it makes it harder for our community to afford solar. This would make their fighting chance to better their situation and environment an expensive fight.

This rate change is not being fair to those who choose solar as their alternative energy source. It's not fair to charge them extra when they are using the power they produce and giving any extra back to the grid. Yes, Rocky Mountain Power will have to accommodate for the amount sent back to the grid, but it isn't significant enough to cause a rate increase.

When we work together we can accomplish a lot more than if we fight against each other. Why not focus on being a company that provides solar and electricity? Why not come together to better our choices instead of fight against and force this charges.

I'm standing up to say that I disagree with RMP's added charges.

Mechelle Saunders



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

## petition against rocky mountain power

1 message

**Cole, Trevor** <trevor.cole@utah.aaa.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:17 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

To Whom it may concern,

Rocky mountains attempt to raise premiums on those who have solar power is discrimination. Rocky mountain power is clearly scared about the future and the continued progression in clean energy. This state, country, and world need to take small steps forward in becoming a more green, and cleaner planet. Letting Rocky mountain Power discriminate on solar is a step back, and not a step forward. They have a monopoly on our energy source.

I live in Centerville, Utah and I have no other choice but to use Rocky Mountain for my Energy to my home? If I had a different choice I would go with someone else, but that isn't the case. I have no choice but use them. To me that is a monopoly. They control an entire city (and a lot of other cities) and there is nothing we can do about it.

It's about time Government steps up a delivers on their promises to make this country cleaner and better. Not only would Rocky mountains increased rates effect those buying or who already own it, but it would effect our economy. There are 1000's of people who would be out of a job, just so Rocky Mountain power can protect their bottom line.

Sincerely,

Trevor Cole

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**Trevor Cole**

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## Please Stop RMP's industry crushing proposal

1 message

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**Megan McPherson** <megan.mcpherson@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:18 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" &lt;PSC@utah.gov&gt;

Public Service Commission,

I am writing to inform your commission on why you should **NOT PASS** Docket No. 14-035-114. Rocky Mountain Power has proposed a rate change for solar customers that would effectively eliminate the solar industry in the state of Utah. As a resident of this state I have a right to choose clean, renewable power over, dirty fossil fuels. If this rate change were to pass, it would virtually wipe out the solar industry in this state. As a resident I would not be able to contribute to a cleaner healthier Utah by choosing to buy a solar system, and we would lose a promising solution to our air quality problem. Thousands of individuals and families would lose their income basically overnight. All we need to do is look at the outcome of a similar proposal in Nevada. The solar industry was crushed within a couple of months, and even large solar companies pulled out of the state. The solar industry is non-existent in one of the best states for solar power . Do not allow this to happen to our great state of Utah!!!

# DO NOT PASS RMP'S RATE CHANGE PROPOSAL FOR SOLAR!

Sincerely,

Meg Mcpherson



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## Docket 14-035-114 net metering policy proposal

1 message

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**Jedediah Barlow** <jedediahsvsei@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:20 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Public service Commission,

I am emailing you today because of the Vote that is going to take place concerning the Rocky Mountain Power Proposal concerning Net metering policy. I would ask and plead with you to **NOT** pass this proposal. it would have the worst effect on us as a state, as a community , and on Thousands of Families here in Utah. This proposal would hurt Utah's economy in so many ways. I could ramble on forever but, I just want to ask you to please **NOT** pass RMP's Net metering policy proposal for the greater good of mankind and to protect the rights of the people and all the businesses both current and future.

Sincerely,

Jedediah Barlow  
[801.209.9454](tel:801.209.9454)



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## Rocky Mountain Power Proposal

1 message

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**Talmage Cromar** <tcromar@solcius.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:20 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

To whom it may concern,

I want to urge the policymakers for the state of Utah to reject the proposal Rocky Mountain Power has put forth. It is too much, too fast and the impact will surely be negative. Please consider waiting.

Thank you,

Talmage



**Talmage Cromar**

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**Save Utah Solar. Save Jobs. Don't allow the RMP monopoly .**

1 message

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**Scott Hendrix** <scott@marketingepic.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:21 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

To whom it may concern,

I represent one of the many uncounted Utahns that maintains a job, largely because of the solar industry . There are numerous industries that benefit from the substantial growth of the solar industry in Utah that are not always counted as "solar industry" jobs. By allowing Rocky Mountain Power to implement these rate increases there are many more than the nearly 3,000 jobs categorized as "solar industry" jobs that will be at risk.

Additionally, my current situation does not warrant purchasing solar because I am not in a home that is large enough for our growing family. We have receives estimates for solar and it makes complete sense for us once we are in our "forever home." By allowing these net meter rate hikes solar will likely not make sense based on the time it will take to break even.

In short, please save our jobs and help our families with tight budget to be able to have options in the future. Utah was voted the best state for business again this year . I can only imagine how much solar played into that. Please DO NOT ALLOW THIS MONOPOLY on our energy. Please give us the right the choose.

Thanks,  
Scott



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**Fwd: Pacific Corp request to change rooftop solar rate structure**

1 message

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**CenturyLink Customer** <sukha@q.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:24 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

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**From:** "CenturyLink Customer" <sukha@q.com>**To:** [psc@utah.com](mailto:psc@utah.com)**Sent:** Tuesday, November 22, 2016 1:03:45 PM**Subject:** Pacific Corp request to change rooftop solar rate structure

As a concerned citizen of the State of Utah I wish to state my opposition to a rate increase. I have paid for the generating capacity on my roof and provide that electricity to the company with ~~no~~ ~~for~~ my investment. The company Pacific Corp, charges me a monthly fee to stay attached to the grid. It is not the same as a phone company that paid for infrastructure and then must allow a competing phone company to use those lines, I am not gaining income for my panels and having lived in Utah my whole life actually helped pay for the infrastructure as the Federal Rural Electricity Fund. Please keep my concerns in mind as you decide this issue.

Thank you,  
Gary S Jensen  
627 N Rock Garden Lane  
Dammeron Valley, 84783  
[\(435\) 574-0510](tel:4355740510)



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## Please do not discourage solar power investment

1 message

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**Ed Blake** <ed@habitatsaltlake.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:25 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

To Whom It May Concern:

I'm writing to express my concern about the new proposal from Rocky Mountain Power regarding solar in Utah. This proposal has far reaching effects that I hope are considered.

First, this proposal would stifle a very important and fast growing industry in Utah. Solar employs many thousands of Utahns in well paying and technical jobs and doing anything to jeopardize these jobs is completely counter-intuitive to Utah's goal of economic growth.

Secondly, our valley has significant air quality issues throughout the year. Data suggests that 41% of our valley pollution originates from our buildings. With the projected growth of our population over the next 20 years we need to do everything we can to remove point of source emissions from the valley. Solar achieves this.

I am the CEO of Habitat for Humanity in this area and we seek to make homes not only affordable, but affordable to own. Third, creating any barrier that makes it more expensive for the average family to pay for solar on an ongoing basis creates a bias against lower and middle class families. Solar should be available to all, not just those families and individuals with significant means.

Lastly, this proposal strikes me as an attempt to further discourage those families that want to provide for their own families by farming, solar, and other activities. If an individual or family elects to pay many months or years worth of their salary for solar to generate their own electricity, they should be able to do so without being encumbered by fees and rate increases by Rocky Mountain Power.

I hope you will reject this proposal from Rocky Mountain Power and consider the many customers who are hoping (*and who have been saving*) to install solar soon.

**Edward Blake**

CEO

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## Rocky mountain net metering proposal

1 message

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**Logan Gerratt** <logan.gerratt@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:30 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

To everyone that can help prevent rocky mountain powers proposal on net metering:  
This proposal will put my family, and thousands of other utah family's in financial despair. Please prevent them from destroying our livelihood, and taking the choice of our utilities from us. Thank you



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**RMP**

1 message

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**Nicolus Evans** <nicolusevans@me.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:31 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

I am extremely concerned with RMP's bullish proposal. This needs to go to a rate case at the very least. We all know Rocky Mountain power is paying less than they have been in a long time for their power . We need local generation to help stabilize the grid. We do not want to be the laughing stock of the nation and become a mistake like Rocky Mountain's sister company in Arizona and Nevada. Our great state of Utah is better than that. We have a strong economy , why should home owners pay "demand fees" or "time of use" fees? They already have a cool keeper program that helps with peak demand. Solar power in Utah is better than the alternative. Coal power is the dirtiest form of power on the planet. RMP has more coal burning power than any other utility . It's time to make a stand against the monopoly. Please at least take this to a rate case. Let's study the proposal and see what it does to our economy and our great state. We need to look at ways to clean up our air and inversion. We need more facts before we even take a look at change. We know they are trying to push a decision with an abatement date? Why be in a hurry to make a big decision? Use facts, not feelings. Study what it will do our home owners and I feel this can be settled by a compromise.

Nic Evans

1506 N Old Shepard Rd

Farmington, Utah 84025



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## Net Metering

1 message

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**Ryan Bushland** <ryan.bushland@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:35 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

Hello,

Please do not agree to the rate increases for Rocky Mountain Power for net metering and solar. Solar provides many jobs in and out of Utah. I work for a company based in Utah and this could directly impact many people outside of your borders. Please be leaders and protect individuals right to choose where they get their power from. A lot is riding on your decision. Make the right choice and protect jobs and people's right to choice. Thank you and have a great day!

Ryan Bushland

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device



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## Shut Down RMP's Proposal

1 message

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**Kayla Tryon** <kayla.tryon@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:36 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

Good afternoon,

Rocky Mountain Power Docket 14-035-114 Net Metering Policy Proposal is harmful to both Utah's environment and citizens. This proposal will affect not only people's choice of where their power comes from, but it will also have a huge impact on Utah jobs. Solar and alternative clean energy is the direction we should be going, but instead Rocky Mountain Power is trying to send us backward.

Please shut down RMP's proposal!!!!

Kayla Tryon



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## RMP solar rate hike request

1 message

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**Stacy Palen** <spalen@weber.edu>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:39 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to oppose the proposed Rocky Mountain Power plan for residential grid-tied solar.

I am a physicist, and it has taken me several hours with the proposal to fully understand how to calculate the rate that I would pay. And then it took several more hours to go through all my old records on my PV system to figure out how much I would be likely to pay each month. Only to find that it would be extremely variable. If, for example, I was charging my electric car, running the clothes dryer and cooking dinner for my family at the same time, this will result in an enormous increase in my end-of-month bill, compared to a month in which I did each of those things sequentially.

While on the one hand, I understand that Rocky Mountain Power is maintaining the electrical grid, and that is costly for them to do; on the other hand, this rate structure is extremely opaque, and very difficult for the consumer to navigate and plan for.

I would be in favor of a simpler, more straightforward plan for solar consumers, preferably one which keeps rooftop solar economically competitive, as the federal and state subsidies sunset.

Thank you for your efforts on behalf of the citizens of Utah.

-Stacy



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## Input on RMP Solar Program Changes

1 message

rgood36362@aol.com <rgood36362@aol.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:39 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

As the owner of a residential solar power system, I looked at the RMP proposal and think that there are some holes in their logic, at least for consumers like me who have enough systems to offset all or nearly all of our power requirements.

1. From what I've read of their proposal, they are not taking into account the extra generating capacity they would have to build nor the amount of electricity they would need to purchase on the market during peak usages. The contradiction is that when there is peak usage, it's usually in the summer which is also when my system is producing much more than what I use, therefore I and other solar customers are helping cut down on the expensive peak power that they have to buy on the open market.
2. They claim that we're not paying our fair share for infrastructure. What is the connection other than paying for power, how are non-solar customers paying or being charged for infrastructure?
3. The way their program works now if I have excess power "in my bank" with them in March, that balance is wiped out and I am not compensated at all for it. So with my system projected to give me 103% of what I'll be giving them "free power". On the other hand, in their proposal, when I need to draw from the grid, they want to charge me one of their highest rates. That hardly seems fair and equitable.

Although I will already be grandfathered into the current plan and therefore have no "skin in the game" I believe this proposal will remove nearly all the incentive for residential solar and allow them a monopoly on solar energy using their solar "farms."

Thank you for your time and consideration.



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## RMP Proposal

1 message

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**Carson Camp** <carson@elementscapitalgroup.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:39 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Carson Campbell. I am a 27 year old, married, college senior at Weber State University. I currently work 40-50 hours a week while completing my education to be able to afford tuition, and living expenses for my wife and I. I currently work in the solar financing field, working with Utah companies to connect Utah residents to a local Utah bank. I know that this proposal, if passed, could lead to the loss of my job and livelihood. Please consider the ramifications of what this decision would do to my family and do to the families of so many other Utahans. We consider ourselves a free market, conservative minded people in this state. What message does this send to the people of this great state? That it's ok to let big business drive out competition? Renewable energy is the future to eliminating our awful air quality and preserving this beautiful state for future generations. I plead and pray for all those decision makers that are considering this action. Thank you for taking the time to hear a voice, if even only one, about what this means to us.

Best regards,

Carson Campbell  
Elements Capital Group  
Weber State Class of 2017



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Stop RMP Proposal

1 message

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**GMX** <kaylaurie@gmx.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:40 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Rocky Mountain Power's Net Metering Policy Proposal needs to be stopped!!! It is bad for Utah's citizens and takes away people's right to choose their solar.

Please stop this proposal before it makes a horrible dent on Utah's environment.

Thanks  
Kayla





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**RE: Proposed Rocky Mountain Power solar customer penalty**

1 message

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**Eric Anderson** <eric.anderson@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:43 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" &lt;PSC@utah.gov&gt;

I'm writing to express my concern about the proposed penalty to be levied against residential solar owners.

From my way of thinking it's very simple: Warren Buffet does not own the Sun, and the State of Utah has no authority to grant it to him.

Excess solar power pushed to the grid by residential solar customers is SOLD by RMP at full retail. They are not suffering. At this point residential solar is barely a blip on their radar screen.

Solar is one of the fastest growing industries in Utah, and is accelerating rapidly. Thousands of jobs are at stake, including mine. I will be watching this very closely, and staying in touch with my elected representatives. I urge you to reject their wrong-headed attempt to manipulate the political system for their own gain, at the expense of the average citizen.

Thank you.

Eric Anderson  
Auric Solar  
Monitoring Specialist  
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[monitoring@auricsolar.com](mailto:monitoring@auricsolar.com)



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**Docket 14-035-114 Net Metering Policy Proposal**

1 message

**Peggy Ornelas** <peggy@elementscapitalgroup.com>  
To: PSC@utah.gov

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:46 PM

I am writing to protest Rocky Mountain Power's (RMP) rate change proposal for new solar customers.

Consumers have the right to choose. We no longer have only one option. There are more options available to us allowing us to choose how we want to receive power to power our homes. No longer is our only choice RMP. We have been at their mercy for their guaranteed yearly price hikes. Let me choose how I want to receive my power, don't let RMP choose for me.

Please stop this proposal. Allow Utah to keep jobs for those who find employment in the solar world, please allow us to choose cleaner alternatives for our power, please don't let RMP to discrimination against homeowners who choose solar over RMP. Stop this proposal!

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Thanks for your time.

Peggy Ornelas  
Financial Coordinator  
[peggy@elementscapitalgroup.com](mailto:peggy@elementscapitalgroup.com)  
801-668-4944





PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Solar in Utah

1 message

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**Timothy Cantwell** <tcantwell@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:48 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

In 1882 the first coal power plant started generating power. This invention served us as a society great though it is time for a choice. I believe people should be able to choose clean energy without penalty. I also believe clean technology is a gateway to a prosperous economic future for Utah. Please tell Rocky mountain power no.



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Save solar

1 message

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**Noble Crowfoot** <noblejcrow@icloud.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:51 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

Our air quality in Utah is so bad, I am concerned with how it will affect my children. The power company is just trying to monopolize the market and by killing solar for he powers gains is not having the best interests of its resident in mind. Solar and other ways we can reduce emissions is a step closer towards our communities having better air quality . Although it's a small part, please do not allow the power companies to take away the opportunity for Utah residents to go solar if they so choose.

Noble Crowfoot



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1 message

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**ERIC STEVENSON** <ERIC6814@msn.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:53 PM

To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

i am writing to express my great opposition to rocky mountain power's request to alter and increase the rates on those that use solar power or have such installed.....I just spent over \$85,000 to have my system installed this year and this request is madness.....eric stevenson



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## Opposition to Rocky Mountain Power's Rate Increase

1 message

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**Glen Jones** <glen@ccbankutah.com>  
To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:55 PM

To Whom It May Concern:

I have learned that Rocky Mountain Power is attempting to unreasonably raise the costs for new rooftop solar customers, which effectively restricts free trade and limits access to clean and efficient energy. Being an employee of a bank that provides financial support to many of those participating in or purchasing products from the solar industry, I strongly oppose these attempts by Rocky Mountain Power to penalize solar customers (and solar businesses) through rate increases. It is important that there is freedom of choice for consumers to elect their source of power and to be enabled to save money through the use of solar power. I am disappointed that Rocky Mountain Power has chosen to put its bottom line ahead of the clean air, consumer choice, solar jobs, and the health of Utah residents.

Please accept this as my personal disagreement with and complaint regarding Rocky Mountain Power's actions. I oppose it and hope that this can be stopped to save jobs, the environment, and consumer's choices.

Kind regards,

Glen R. Jones

[801-888-3679](tel:801-888-3679)

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## Solar fee

1 message

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jackisgreene@yahoo.com <jackisgreene@yahoo.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:56 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Rocky Mountain power is at a critical juncture regarding its legacy for future generations of life and helping Utah become a national leader in clean, renewable energy and provide many clean, long term jobs.  
Please take the right path.

Sent from my iPhone



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## Docket 14-035-114 net metering policy changes?

1 message

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**Jason Williams** <jasonwllm63@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:57 PM

To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

To whom it may be concerned...

Please help by understanding, I feel strongly that we need to be able to make a difference by contributing to the opportunity to have solar power.

The only way to do this effectively is by utilizing a grid system, battery system don't work. They are expensive and wear out.

When you have a monopoly of one power company providing for the grid they propose changes with what is to their benefit. I've actually heard that power production is cheaper now than it used to be, yet the power company rates continue to go up. The rich get richer seems evident in this monopoly. Allow individuals the right for their own power plants. Study the case, don't allow them to push this threw .

Please, please make an educated decision by learning all angles.

Sincerely yours,

Jason Williams





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## Save Utah Solar!!

1 message

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**Justin Garn** <justin.garn@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:57 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

Rocky Mountain Power is doing some pretty underhanded political maneuvering. I understand a company fighting for their own interests, but RMP is fighting AGAINST the interests of Utahns.

Far more Utah jobs are held in the solar industry than in fossil fuel energy right now. Utahns have a right to choose how and where they will purchase or produce power. RMP is defending their virtual monopoly.

Please, do not allow RMP to cripple the countries fastest growing solar energy market! This industry has brought several thousand jobs the state. Utah is pushing the technology to new heights, better than ever before. Please, don't allow Utah to be forced into the back seat of technology.

Very concerned citizen,  
Justin Garn



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Solar panels

1 message

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**Tim Hansen** <tim2k78@comcast.net>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 2:03 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

To whom it may concern,

I just invested 27,000\$ for solar panels for my home and another 17,000\$ for a new roof so I could have them installed. Please don't approve the plan Rocky Mountain power is asking for. It's going to take me 20 years to recoup the 47 thousand dollars that I've invested into my family's home. That's for your consideration. Tim Hansen

From the office of Tim Hansen



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## More thoughts regarding the Net Metering Proposal

1 message

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Kyle Oram <kyle.oram@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 2:04 PM

To: "psc@utah.gov" &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

### Public Service Commission Mission Statement

*The primary responsibility of the Commission is to ensure safe, reliable, adequate, and reasonably priced utility service. It conducts hearings and investigations of utility company operations in order to determine just and reasonable rates for service. The Commission strives to protect efficient, reliable, reasonably-priced utility service for customers, and to maintain financially healthy utility companies. These goals are attained through the regulatory decisions the Commission makes and through rules it adopts.*

Dear commissioners,

I'd like to draw attention to the mission of the Public Service Commission. I understand you have a responsibility to ensure reasonably priced utility service. Based on the information provided by Rocky Mountain Power I respect the point of view that distributed rooftop solar may, under current general rate design, be contributing to a shifting of costs. I believe this should be pushed to a general rate case, as the entirety of rate design is an important part of accommodating intelligent integration of rooftop solar. From much of what I have read, distributed generation has benefits to the affordability of power in many markets in America and across the world. As solar technology develops further it will have even more capacity to be an asset to electric infrastructure and rates, not a liability as it is often portrayed.

Ensuring safe utility service is another important aspect of the PSC. In our state, a feature of safety that must be taken into consideration is the air we breath. The Utah market, by purchasing roof top solar, is sending a message that we care about this. We want to implement solutions. I can tell you that is a key reason homeowners are choosing to invest in solar. I know it's only a fraction of our problem but death and disease is concretely avoidable the more we choose energy options that do not contribute to our problem. Please take this into consideration as well as the danger accelerated climate change poses to our state. We need the winter snow pack to support our expanding population. I know its an annoying divisive topic to try and factor in, but I am 28 years old and I want to live in this beautiful state my whole life so please, consider our future. I envision a valley of electric vehicles, public transit, cycle commuters and rooftop solar blanketed across the value. As those solutions become a reality the PSC will be fulfilling its mission for safe utility service in unprecedented ways.

Lastly I'd like to point to your duty to maintain financially healthy utility companies. This kind of action by RMP would be to their own financial detriment. If you have followed the story of NV Energy I can tell you aggressive utility policies against solar adoption are financially dangerous to the utilities themselves.

Thank you for your service.

Good luck ☺

Kyle Oram

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## Utah Solar

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**Julie Jorling** <julie.jorling@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 2:04 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

Hi PSC folks,

I wanted to write and ask that you carefully think about what is in front of you with the Net-Metering proposal from Rocky Mountain Power! It's true, I work in the industry and love my job but this is bigger than all of us.

We have choices in this country and we should have the choice for how we get our power. Think about the bigger impact on our state ... jobs and environment.

Do the right thing!

Thank you!

Cheers - Julie

**Julie Jorling**

*Energy Consultant*

[801.518.2079](tel:801.518.2079)





PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

## Docket 14-035-114 Net Metering Policy - Opposition to Proposed Rate Increase by RMP

1 message

**Mike Watson** <mike@ccbankutah.com>  
To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 2:04 PM

To Whom It May Concern:

I have learned that Rocky Mountain Power is attempting to unreasonably raise the costs for new rooftop solar customers, which effectively restricts free trade and limits access to clean and efficient energy. Being the President of a bank that provides financial support to many of those participating in or purchasing products from the solar industry, I strongly oppose these attempts by Rocky Mountain Power to penalize solar customers (and solar businesses) through rate increases. It is important that there is freedom of choice for consumers to elect their source of power and to be enabled to save money through the use of solar power. I am disappointed that Rocky Mountain Power has chosen to put its bottom line ahead of the clean air, consumer choice, solar jobs, and the health of Utah residents.

Please accept this as my personal disagreement with and complaint regarding Rocky Mountain Power's actions. I oppose it and hope that this can be stopped to save jobs, the environment, and consumer's choices.

Thank you,

**Mike Watson | President & CEO**

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Gary Widerburg &lt;gwiderburg@utah.gov&gt;

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Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 9:03 AM

To: gwiderburg@utah.gov

November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

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Nathan Moodie

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**Constituent Email:** [saltcity62@gmail.com](mailto:saltcity62@gmail.com)**Mobile #:****Home #:****Office #:****Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: rooftop solar rate changes Dear Govern Herbert, I am asking you as my representative to deny RMP's request to change its rate schedule for rooftop solar customers. We must be make strides to improve our air quality in our valley and this proposal by RMP is designed to discourage customers from investing in clean energy. We need to be a national leader in this vital industry and show the nation what a pro-business AND environmentally responsible state looks like. We should be leading the charge to promote clean energy, clean air, and economic growth. I believe that by allowing RMP to charge the people who are trying the hardest to promote clean energy and clean air higher rates is a step in the wrong direction, a step back towards worsening air pollution. And a rooftop solar customer will use less of RMT's fossil fuel generated energy so why should we have to pay more for using less? That is insanity! Please do not protect corporate profits over our air quality!! We all live in this valley and no one wants it to look like Beijing! Thanks you for you time, Nathan Moodie

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:02 PM

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November 22, 2016

Wall, Tiffeni

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**Request (Closed):** Subject: Solar is necessary!! Utah needs Options such as Solar...letting Rocky Mountain Power stop the growth of Solar would be a HUGE mistake! We should all have the right to power our homes how we choose!!! BIG Corporations such as Rocky Mountain should NOT be ALLOWED to push new emerging industry out so they can make more money...Many people in Solar dept will lose jobs. We NEED to move with the times NOT against them!!

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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November 22, 2016

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**Request (Closed):** Subject: Energy there should be no additional fees associated with installing solar panels and connecting to the grid. home owners have every right to try to reduce costs of energy. They will still be paying the power company monthly for what they use. The power company is a monopoly anyway and they want more money. They want to drive solar companies out of business. I am nearing retirement and plan on installing solar panels to help control expenses. Additional fees will not save me any money. This will only increase my dependency on the power company.

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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November 22, 2016

Wall, Tiffeni

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**Office #:** (707) 761-3354

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Rocky Mountain Power Proposal Governor Herbert, I am writing into you today to ask that you don't allow the RMP proposal to pass. We need solar in the community and it allows us to go green and to save what little bit we can of this beautiful earth for our children. Please pelase please consider this request. Thank you!  
Kristen

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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November 22, 2016

Wall, Tiffeni

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**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Solar Power Please urge the Public Service Commission to reject the proposal from Rocky Mountain Power to vastly increase the fees that solar customers must pay to remain on the grid. This heavy-handed proposal will decimate the solar power industry in Utah. As the state most affected by greenhouse warming, Utah needs to be a leader in the use of renewable energy, and this proposal will take our state a giant step backwards away from that goal.

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Rocky Mountain Power Please urge PSC to reject Rocky Mountain Power's proposal to rob from future solar customers. It is harmful to the economy as well as the environment. Thank you.

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Solar Governor Herbert, Encouraged by their success in Nevada, Rocky Mountain Power is determined to continue operating with an almost monopoly status in the state of Utah by using the government to shut down all competition. Please don't let them continue on this course. If they are allowed to shut down anyone who threatens their monopoly they will continue to have free reign to raise rates on those who depend on them for power, and punish those who have chosen different methods to provide this basic necessity. Do not let them bully their way back into control. They are subject to the rules of free enterprise, as are we all. -Austin Meredith

Thank you.

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**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Rocky mountain power solar rate hike I would like to suggest that you use any influence you have to not allow Rocky Mountain Power to institute its new solar fee. Yes rooftop solar has costs that are borne by other ratepayers. But the cost of poor air quality associated with coal-fired electricity generation is far higher to everyone else on the Wasatch Front. This without even accounting for risks associated with climate change. Poor air quality can neuter the Wasatch Fronts incredible competitive advantage and rooftop solar is potentially a wonderful way to deal with that. Rocky Mountain Power is allowed to charge this fee then monopoly for electricity is untenable and we should move to scrap it in a way similar to Nevada. I am not a knee-jerk liberal I am a pragmatist and also a proud petroleum engineer. We need clean air. Thank you for your service Governor Herbert and hopefully your attention. Brooks Black

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:30 PM

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November 22, 2016

Wall, Tiffeni

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**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: RMP proposal I work for a Solar Company. This job is my source of income to put me through college. Please reject RMP's proposal so that I and many other solar employees can keep their jobs. Jeff Beveridge

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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Wall, Tiffeni

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**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Solar Please do not let Rocky MTN Power have there way on increasing cost tp Solar user

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment Hello, I am sending this email to voice my opposition for Rocky Mountain Power's rate hike proposal. Please do the right thing and reject their proposal. Utah needs solar. The planet needs solar. Thank you, Derek Beveridge

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Save Solar in Utah Please reject the proposal from Rocky Mountain Power. If this passes it will kill Solar in Utah. Rocky Mountain Power is willing to destroy careers because they say it is what is fair. But in reality, they just don't want competition. If this passes, it destroys opportunity. Please reject and save Solar.

Thank you.

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: PSC issue Hello, I think you should influence the PSC to that this is not a good idea, Solar helps our environment and can make it to where our air is good enough to continue to extend our families. I think trying to stop solar is one of the worst ideas for utility companies to do. Please try to prevent this from happening and keep our world green!

Thank you.

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Cain, Tyler

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**Office #:** (801) 980-5794

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Oppose PSC #16-035-T14 I trust that you understand the gravity of the decision placed before you on December 9th, 2016 in docket # 16-035-T14. I expressly request that you oppose this proposal by Rocky Mountain Power, particularly that Schedule 135 of the net metering program remain in place until you, as the Commission, rule on Subsection Two of the net metering statute. If you were to approve Schedule 135A, this severely disables any consumer to make any investment in Solar because of uncertainty that your prescribed. This act is contradictory to your responsibility to the consumer.

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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November 22, 2016

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**Home #:**

**Office #:**



**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Oppose Docket Advice No. 16-13 I adamantly oppose PacifiCorp's "Advice No. 16-13", (Nov. 9, 2016), proposing changes to the rate structure for residential solar customers. As a Utah citizen, I strongly urge my Government and Public Service Commission to reject, what appears to be RMP's inappropriately cloaked and rushed request. Further I request the PSC to require RMP to use the normal, and applicable, rate-making process for any proposed changes. Clean, renewable and cost effective energy that is realistically available to every day homeowners is the end goal for government, industry and ultimately society as a whole. What PacifiCorp/RMP is proposing is completely contrary to this movement. RMP's proposal directly and in-proportionately penalizes those citizens willing to invest their hard earned money into solar and a more sustainable energy option. I, personally, have invested over \$8000, out of pocket, to install a net-metering residential solar system capable of supplying enough energy to cover my home needs, including surplus energy which RMP takes at no cost. If these proposed higher fees and rate structure were place at the time I designed and paid for this system, I most certainly would not have made the decision. Both Federal and State agencies see the value in advancing solar initiatives, including residential home use. RMP's proposal will drastically and negatively impact these initiatives. Again, I respectfully request, in the interests of ratepayers and the Utah public, that the Governor urge the PSC to reject PacifiCorp-RMP's current rate change request. I appreciate your consideration of this feedback. Jake Weston Plain City, Utah [jakeweston1@hotmail.com](mailto:jakeweston1@hotmail.com)

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Solar Power Solar power is essential for growth and prosperity in Utah. I see nothing but positive things coming from this. I am FOR solar power being used and love what it is doing for our environment. Please take my thoughts into account when making such crucial decisions.

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Solar and RMP The War that Rocky Mountain Power has taken to the solar industry is terrible and a sore subject for those who are in business with solar. Rocky Mountain Power should not be able nor allowed to put this fees and charges on Solar customers. America is a place where friendly competition is good for the economy and its people. We the people do not want to have to be over-charged for a necessary resource nor do we want to be stuck with a monopoly company to provide our power. To allow Rocky Mountain Power to stick their hands in and collect what is not rightful theirs is a crock. It would be foolish to allow such a thing. Losing a good resource would be a shame. Sincerely, Dylan Cunningham

Thank you.

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Rocky Mountain Power Bill Please don't pass this proposal by Rocky Mountain Power. I think they are monopolizing the power and I really want to keep my job at the solar company I work for. I am a student trying to work through college so I can graduate without debt. Thank you. Carson

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Reject the Rocky Mountain Power Proposal I urge you to reject the Rocky Mountain Power proposal. The solar market in Utah has created countless jobs including my current position. Do not pass the proposal and let me keep my job that is putting me through University and helping me provide for myself and those in need.

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 3:44 PM

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Rocky Mountain Power Solar Proposal Governor, Please consider the magnitude of the Public Service Commissions decision regarding Rocky Mountain Powers proposal to close the current Schedule 135 service to prospective net metering customers who apply for net metering service after December 9th, 2016. I fear that those making the decision feel this won't have meaningful ramifications to the solar industry but instead feel the decisions made in mid 2017 are those that will decide the fate of solar in Utah. That is not correct. I believe this immediate decision is of greater importance than the ultimate rate changes because at least the rate changes will then be known. RMP is not looking out for the best interest of the consumer with a desire to give them a "heads up" as they claim. They are slyly making the decision of going solar so confusing and so unknown that they will accomplish their goal of stopping solar well before the new rate structure is decided. RMP is doing all in their power to kill the solar industry just as their sister company successfully did in Nevada. Unfortunately for the solar industry, I feel they are playing their cards perfectly. They represent themselves as protecting the masses by significantly over stating their costs and undervaluing the benefits of solar. They have proposed the most ridiculous and aggressive rate structure hoping they will get half of what they are asking for and damming all new solar during the lengthy process of the new rate structure being decided. They are successfully using scare tactics to retain their revenue and monopoly. I agree with Gary W. Hoogeveen with Rocky Mountain Power when he testified to the Public Service Commission that RMP "respects the customers need for reasonable certainty for recovery of their investments." However, RMP's proposal gives customers no certainty regarding their investment. Should the PSC approve RMP's proposal, how can a Utah homeowner that wants to decrease their carbon footprint and take more control of their power complete a reasonable investment proforma? No one, including you, knows what their demand charge would be as our meters currently don't track it and our peak demand is not noted on our bills. I believe RMP is well aware that most customers aren't willing to invest in something where they don't understand the terminology let alone how to calculate the costs. Please do not allow RMP to be successful in their crafty attempt to deceive the public and dramatically slow the fastest growing industry in Utah that also has the most long term benefits. Should the Commission be considering approving RMP's proposal of schedule 135a, I request a public hearing prior to any decision being made. Considering the significant ramifications for thousands of Utah citizens I don't find sending an email as the only available avenue for public comment to be reasonable. Thank you for your time, Kelly Walker

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**Mobile #:**

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**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: New bill for Rocky mountain power Please push back against the bill for the rate changes for Rocky mountain power. We need to save solar in utah

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

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**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Solar Power I can't believe that you would give Rocky Mountain Power the ok to use Solar panels. The solar program that was set up to help Utah get solar panes for individual homes was a great incentive. Now Rocky Mountain wants to stop it. There should be a compromise that would benefit all of the people.

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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November 22, 2016

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**Request (Closed):** Subject: Do NOT kill solar in Utah You will be ending jobs, all to feed a monopoly RMP wants to hold. Don't let the bill pass

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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Cain, Tyler

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**Request (Closed):** Subject: Docket 14-035-114 Net Metering Policy Proposal Dear Gov. Herbert, Please do not stand by as Rocky Mountain Power moves forward with their proposed rate hikes on solar energy. Rocky Mountain Power should not be allowed to unreasonably raise the costs for new rooftop solar customers, restrict free trade, and limit access to clean & efficient energy. The solar industry is huge in Utah, and the rates proposed have the potential to kill it. If that happens, thousands of people will be out of work, and Utah's economy will suffer. The solar industry provides Utahns with a source of inexpensive, clean energy, encouraging more responsible use of resources, and helping to improve the air quality. This is especially important as we move into the winter season, when the buildup from cars, homes, and woodburning stoves causes unbearable conditions during inversions. Rocky Mountain's push to increase rates is an effort to monopolize all energy resources including solar is an unfair move that will ultimately punish Utahns. Increasing rates on solar energy will discourage consumers and homeowners from using this clean energy, and instead turn to traditional power sources. The only people who benefit from this are at Rocky Mountain Power - the rest of us are out jobs, money we could be saving, and a responsible power source! Please save solar energy, for the sake of our great

state, our fellow Utahns, and our environment. With concern, Laura M. Coxson

Thank you.

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November 22, 2016

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Stop Rocky Mountain Power Proposal Please encourage the Public Service Commission to reject Rocky Mountain Power's proposal while they take the necessary to develop a plan that allows Rocky Mountain Power and the solar industry to co-exist. Please encourage them to do this to save jobs, families, the environment and consumer choice in Utah.

Thank you.

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Reject Rocky Mountain Power's Petition Please stop Rocky Mountain Power from killing residential solar in Utah Over the last year, Rocky Mountain Power's sister company killed 99% of residential solar in Nevada. Now, Rocky Mountain Power is trying to do the same thing in Utah, by asking the Utah Public Service Commission to approve one of the most aggressive, anti-consumer, anti-competitive, and anti-solar proposals ever brought forth by a utility in the United States.

Thank you.

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Docket #16-035-T14 I would like this proposal rejected. Its Unethical and bad for the economy and environment.

Thank you.

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment Please do not approve RMP's request. Thank you.

Thank you.

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: SOS Save Our Solar I hope you will consider our plea to reject Rocky Mountain Powers request. I do not see RMP's plans as beneficial for homeowners, the environment, or those employed by companies who are invested in solar power.

Thank you.

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**Request (Closed):** Subject: Stop Rocky Mountain Power It would be highly unethical for Rocky Mountain Power to be able to make the choice to go solar difficult. This would essentially be a monopoly which is illegal and wrong. This would affect many of my friends, family and myself, who work in the solar industry as we would lose thousands of customers and potential customers. Please prevent them from doing so and help thousands of families throughout Utah. Make the right decision.

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request** (Closed): Subject: Save Solar in Utah As a homeowner who installed rooftop solar panels over a year ago I strongly urge you to resist RMP's efforts to add tariffs to customers with rooftop solar panels I personally calculated the payoff of my solar panels so it would coincide with my planed retirement date. These proposed new charges will mean that I will not be able to pay off my panels as expected and will have to continue to work past my current planed retirement goal. RMP argues that they pay rooftop solar panel customers more for power than they would pay for it from their current providers. This is misleading. When we create more power that we are using it is tracked and fed back into the grid at no cost to RMP. Admittedly, we do get a credit equal to the excess amount of power we provide to the grid which is removed from the amount of power we consume and are billed. It is like we are loaning RMP power from our panels during peak periods and then we use later during lower power demand periods. If we create more total power than we use, RMP gets that power from us at no cost. Rooftop solar is a clean way to create power improving our overall air quality. Thank you for your time

Thank you.

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request** (Closed): Subject: DO NOT TELL ROCKY MTN POWER RAISE COSTS THAT WILL KILL RESIDENTIAL SOLAR IN UTAH Dear Governor, I am a mother of 4 that works for a Solar Co. Please do not let Rocky Mtn Power raise the prices for roof top solar customers! This will eliminate my job! I am the main bread winner for my family and you will literally be putting thousands of solar workers out of a job, Has that even been considered? and for WHAT? So Rocky Mtn Power can have more money, so they can monopolize the energy in Utah and make it so no one has choices? Why the hell is this even under consideration? Is there no middle ground? Punishing customers for helping the environment is disgusting! Last night on the news RMP's spokesperson said that Solar customers either have to decide if they are doing it to help the environment or doing it to save money...why the hell do we have to choose?!!! The tax credit of \$2000 was to reward solar customers was created for a reason. They wanted to reward people for helping the environment but now that RMP is losing money we have to make change and raise prices. Also having solar companies has only helped the economy in Utah. Jobs equal tax payers! I feel sick writing this and begging you for something you already know is morally wrong but that is what this world has come to. Its sickening! Do not let these bastards kill residential Solar in Utah like they already did in Nevada!! Sincerely, Mona Maile

Thank you.

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Reject the RMP bill Please please please! Do not make the same mistake that Nevada did. If this proposal is passed it will shut solar down in Utah and will directly affect my job and the 100 people that I oversee. Solar is my lively hood and the way that I keep food on the table for my family. Rocky Mountain Power's bill is excessive and ludicrous. Out of all of the Utilities throughout the nation why is it that RMP is the utility to to impose the most outrageous proposal? I feel the implication study that they were suppose to perform has not been adequately done. Solar is a good thing for the consumer. It gives freedom to choose. RMP's only desire is to protect their pocket book and to stomp all competition. Please reject this proposal.

Thank you.

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Rocky Mountain Power Proposal Dear Gov. Herbert, I am writing this brief letter concerning the new rate proposal that Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) has proposed. As you have quickly learned, this new change will Dismantle the solar industry in Utah along with it 1000's of other jobs. After much investigation I found that most of our own legislators don't even know what is on the proposed docket from RMP. This is very concerning to me as to these are the individuals that make our laws in the state of Utah. And that 79 of 104 legislators received some kind of monetary compensation this past year. I feel that I don't need to go into detail of those individuals that are unaware of whats going on and those that are receiving money from RMP, but all I ask is that you Please put politics aside and really look into this matter and what impact it would have on the Utah Economy. Thank you for your help in this matter. Thank you, Johnathon Lopez

Thank you.

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Docket # 16-0350T-14 I trust that you understand the gravity of the decision placed before you on December 9th, 2016 in docket # 16-035-T14. I expressly request that you oppose this proposal by Rocky Mountain Power, particularly that Schedule 135 of the net metering program remain in place until you, as the Commission, rule on Subsection Two of the net metering statute. If you were to approve Schedule 135A, this severely disables any consumer to make any investment in Solar because of uncertainty that your prescribed. This act is contradictory to your responsibility to the consumer.

Thank you.

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**Request (Closed):** Subject: SAVE SOLAR IN UTAH Good afternoon, I would like to urge the the State of Utah not to accept the RMP proposal stating to rid the state of solar power making it worthless to have a solar system on your home. Not only is it beneficial to our state and provides many people with jobs it also is a good sustainable way to produce clean energy for our environment. I hope as you review the pros and cons of solar you ask yourself. "Is Solar beneficial in the long run?" The answer would then be yes, it is. Please do not fall to the corporate pyramid. SAVE SOLAR IN UTAH. Best regard, Mikayla Murphy

Thank you.

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Rocky Mountain Solar Panel Rate Hike. Dear Sirs, I would like to voice my opposition to PacificCorps recent rake hit increase on rooftop solar customers. Please suspend the tariff requested and instead make Rocky Mountain Power, instead go through the normal rate making procedure. Raising the rates on new solar customers as Rocky Mountain wants to do will effectively kill off the rooftop solar market in the state. For further proof of this one only needs to look at recent regulations in Nevada that were devastating to solar companies in the State where within 12 months, rooftop solar applications dropped by 99%. By eliminating the rooftop solar marketplace in the state, this would allow Rocky Mountain Power to take advantage of its monopoly by eliminating consumer choice, energy independence and a consumer's ability to do what they wish on their roof tops. Rocky Mountain Power's study also only takes into account the cost of service for solar customers, rather than conducting a cost/benefit analysis that examines not only the cost, but the benefits provided by solar customers to both the utility and non-solar customers. The proposal by Rocky Mountain Power is the most aggressive, anti-consumer, anti-competitive and anti-solar proposal ever made by a utility in the United States. It would be bad for business and will kill thousands of solar jobs in Utah. It also unfairly punishes consumers who are trying to save money by using less power. The goal of Rocky Mountain Power shouldn't be to kill off a renewable energy platform, and to punish those who are trying to decrease their energy consumption. Instead, they should be looking for ways to assist in these goals. If Rocky Mountain power is worried that the rate of rooftop solar customers is low because too many people cannot afford them, which is what they say is causing the extra cost, the goal is to make Solar easier to be adapted wide scale. If more and more people have solar, than the gap that RMP refers to will be gone. Rocky Mountain also states that customers will still save a fraction of their electrical bill with Solar rooftop panels, but they are not taking into account the initial cost of startup. Decreasing a power bill by 30% does not justify the cost of a Solar system that costs between 15k-20k to setup. As a utility customer in this state who is concerned and the frequently increasing cost of power rates. Something expected to climb by 40% over the next 10 years, I humbly ask for your help in prevent Rocky Mountain Power from killing off the renewable energy solar programs in this state. Rocky Mountain should not be allowed to unfairly punish customers who look to decrease their monthly bills, solely because they choose to get their power from someone other than them. Rocky Mountain Power should not be allowed to become a monopoly. Furthermore, any such decision should be based upon a transparent, robust cost-benefit study. Similar to the one that the Public Service Commission was instructed to perform by the legislature in 2014. Such an anti consumer, anti competition rate hike, such as the one being proposed, just cannot be allowed to happen until after the PSC conducts a robust and independent study that looks at the costs, but also all of the internal and external benefits provided by residential solar. Sincerely, Brandon E. Woolsey West Valley City, UT  
[unholyram@gmail.com](mailto:unholyram@gmail.com)

Thank you.

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: RMP Proposal change for net metering. Docket #16-035-T14 Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment I would like to give you some feedback on the projected Rocky Mountain Power request for a change in their net metering program. There are several key issues that I am vehemently opposed to. 1. They are putting a date of December 9th as the day that the new changes will go into affect when the PSC has determined that this won't be decided until August of next year. The fear factor that this will give to anyone who is considering solar will virtually cause any potential solar customer to wait until next August to see the results before they make a decision. For all practical purposes that will close virtually every solar company in Utah. The date for the effect of whatever the decision is must coincide with the date of the decision by the commission. If the goal for Rocky Mountain Power is to cripple the industry then allowing this date accomplishes that whether the PSC approves this or denies it. 2. I agree that there probably should be a minor change in the current net-metering program but this goes so far beyond what is reasonable that it shouldn't even be allowed to be considered. It should be reconsidered when there is an option such as changing the connection fee from \$6 / month to \$15 or even \$20 per month. 3. The environmental and health affects of going solar would be lost. Thousands of jobs would be lost and many companies will be out of business overnight. Simply by changing the effective date to coincide with the approval or denial of the proposed changes allows the industry to have time to not rush into decisions which could be wrong for all parties. The current structure is equivalent to the electric chair for the entire industry. I hope that is not the goal of public services commission, even if it is the goal of RMP. 4. The current proposal that only grandfathers the current homeowner until they sell the property also seems unreasonable. It would appear to me that once a net meter is installed that that net meter should be grandfathered into the current program for the time that the homeowner owns the home and is on that program or 10 years (as an example) whichever is later. I hope that the commission will take these items into account and remove the December 9th date and move it to coincide with the approval or denial of this proposal. By allowing the December 9th date is equivalent to executing first and then finding out if they are guilty or not guilty after they are dead. At that point it won't matter much what the findings and decisions are. Sincerely, Jeff Tolman

Thank you.

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**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Rocky Mountain Powers Proposed Rate Change I am writing because I work for a solar company and I feel it my responsibility to express my concern in this matter. Solar is an innovative and clean way to produce power and give back. With the air quality increasingly low it presents an alternative to the smog and betters our economy and environment. The rate change Rocky Mountain power is proposing however creates an obstacle almost



impossible to achieve progress toward a clean air-energy efficient society. If this passes it disables customers from making an informed decision about switching to solar for the next 8 months until the final decision is made. Commission need to be addressed in regards to the issue of rates for solar, but potential customers should know that their rates will stay intact for the foreseeable future and be set at a reasonable rate to allow the the clean energy movement to proceed as advances in development are made. The Public Service Commission should work to protect customers in this aspect as they have in the past.

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Solar Power in Utah Governor Herbert, I want to start off by saying that I truly respect you and am very appreciative of your service in making Utah a great state, and the jobs that you have brought to Utah. I have known your family for many years growing up in Orem, doing construction work for your father, Duane, and dating your sister, Linda many years ago. I am generally not one to go out of my way to have my voice or my political views heard until recently. I decided a few years ago to not be silent anymore and let my friends, family, and acquaintances know the way I feel on important matters, to help them vote knowledgably. Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) has made a proposal to the Public Service Commission regarding rates on customers that have a Net metering agreement with Solar Power. Their proposal would kill the consumer solar initiative in Utah and put a lot of people out of jobs. Solar power is one of the fastest going industries in Utah, and it would be bad for Utah, bad for the environment and bad for all of the people with jobs in this industry for RMP proposal to be approved. Please use your influence to make sure that the Solar industry in Utah is given a fair shake and not killed as it has been in Nevada, by RMP's sister company. Thanks for your time and consideration, Chad B Patten

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**Request (Closed):** Subject: Docket # 16-035-T14 The War that Rocky Mountain Power has taken to the solar industry is terrible and a sore subject for those who are in business with solar. Rocky Mountain Power should not be able nor allowed to put fees and charges on Solar customers that pay the fair share for their power. America is a place where friendly competition is good for the economy and its people. We the people do not want to have to be over-charged for a necessary resource nor do we want to be stuck with a monopoly company to provide our power. To allow Rocky Mountain Power to stick their hands in and collect what is not rightful theirs is a crock. It would be foolish to allow such a thing. Losing a good resource would be a shame. Sincerely, Dylan Cunningham

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Docket #16-035-T14 I am writing to express my concern with Docket 16-035-T14, and the impact it will have on local businesses and consumers. The Dec 9th proposed rate change will halt solar activity and sales, especially since a decision will not be made until the August timeframe, 136. As of Dec 10th a consumer will now be subject to any as changes described in 135A and will NOT be confident in making a solar investment. RMP's power and position with this docket creates consumer anxiety. For instance, line 225 states that current NEMs will be honored based on homeowner investments. But as of 12/10 that same commitment will not be honored. For the public service, I kindly ask that 135A not move forward and allow consumers to make a sound financial decision. Thanks, Tyler

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment I REJECT Rocky Mountain Power's proposal to charge solar customers more than what is reasonable for their choice to install solar systems on their homes. It is not in keeping with the idea of making our world a better and cleaner place if taxes and costs are levied as a pseudo penalty against those who are doing their part to help the environment.

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment I urge you to reject Rocky Mountain Power's proposal regarding solar projects. Many jobs will be lost due to this. Also, the consumers will be negatively affected due to the higher costs. Additionally, the environment will suffer. Please consider rejecting this proposal. Thank you,

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:55 PM

To: [gwiderburg@utah.gov](mailto:gwiderburg@utah.gov)

November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

**Constituent:** Roberts, Kristina

**Constituent Address:**

Kristina Roberts  
485 south 2280 south  
Provo UT 84601

**Constituent Email:** [kristinafolaumoeloa@gmail.com](mailto:kristinafolaumoeloa@gmail.com)

**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:** (180) 136-0776

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment We need competition in the power industry! We should look at being a clean energy state. I want Utah to be able to support clean renewable energy and let the people decide for themselves where they want to buy their power from. Please do not let rmp kill the solar industry and my job by passing their proposal. We should all have the right to decide what power we want. Many people will lose their jobs in solar and will ultimately hurt our economy. Please please thanks for choosing to give solar a chance in Utah!

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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To: gwiderburg@utah.gov

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:56 PM

November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

**Constituent:** Adamson, Michael

**Constituent Address:**

Michael Adamson  
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Orem UT 84057

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**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: RMP Rate Change Proposal Governor, In regards to the proposed change for Rocky Mountain Power and thier rates to affect solar customer. I believe that this change will be detrimental to the economy of Utah as solar is a fast growing, job creating industry that the public is embracing more and more. I believe it wrong to penalize a homeowner for wanting to pursue greener energy for their home. I think it would be best for the solar industry to have the mentioned proposal denied to help protect the solar economy of Utah. Best Regards, Michael

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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To: gwiderburg@utah.gov

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:56 PM

November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

**Constituent:** Perkins, Shane

**Constituent Address:**

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204 Playa Della Rosita  
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**Constituent Email:** [shane@legendsolar.com](mailto:shane@legendsolar.com)

**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:** (435) 680-7375

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment My name is Shane Perkins and I have been a Utah resident my entire life (38 years). I opened my business: Legend Solar in 2012 and now employ 200+ fellow Utahns. Rocky Mountain Power's proposal to have all new net metering customers after December 9, 2016 be placed on a new rate that has not yet been decided is necessary by your body or defined will create significant uncertainty for my business. It will be impossible for me to offer a rooftop solar product to homeowners across the state without knowing how rates may change. This proposal will halt my business activity. I ask you to please reject Rocky Mountain Power's proposal and maintain Utah's status as one of the most business-friendly states in the country. Sincerely, Shane Perkins  
Owner Legend Solar

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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To: gwiderburg@utah.gov

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:57 PM

November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

**Constituent:** Lindeman, Gregory

**Constituent Address:**  
Gregory Lindeman  
544 N Matterhorn Drive  
Alpine UT 84004

**Constituent Email:** [gregoryslindeman@gmail.com](mailto:gregoryslindeman@gmail.com)

**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:** (801) 756-6005

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Rocky Mountain Power's proposal on Docket #16-035-T14 I have reviewed the Proposal by Rocky Mountain Power and find that it is against the interests of our state and economy. I urge that you use the influence you have to convince the Public Service Commission to deny their proposal. I believe this proposal should be denied because: It is anti-competitive and will destroy residential solar in UT. Leave THOUSANDS of Utah residents unemployed. Since I moved here in 2008 we have struggled with pollution, specifically in our air. Why would we ever want to take away the ability of our residents to use clean solar energy? It is absurd to even consider hindering the growth of solar among our residents. Please vote against and deny RMP proposal.

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:57 PM

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To: gwiderburg@utah.gov

November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

**Constituent:** Mattson, Britani**Constituent Address:**

Britani Mattson  
247 S 600 E  
Alpine UT 84004

**Constituent Email:** [britanimattson@yahoo.com](mailto:britanimattson@yahoo.com)**Mobile #:****Home #:****Office #:****Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Rocky Mountain Power NEM - REJECT To whom it may concern; I am a Utah County resident who has their power supplied through the monopoly that is Rocky Mountain Power. I highly urge you to reject Docket 16-035-T14. It will impact all Utahans in a negative way. Please listen to the people of Utah. Sincerely. Britani Mattson Utah County Resident

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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To: gwiderburg@utah.gov

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:58 PM

November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

**Constituent:** Mattson, Britani**Constituent Address:**

Britani Mattson  
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**Constituent Email:** [bmattson@solcius.com](mailto:bmattson@solcius.com)

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Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:59 PM

November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

**Constituent:** Mattson, Britani

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Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:59 PM

November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

**Constituent:** Bradley, Sharon

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Sharon Bradley  
2240 N 300 E  
Provo UT 84604

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**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: RMP's proposal I urge the Public Service Commission to REJECT RMP's proposal. How is this even considered. What Rocky mountain Power is doing is wrong. Please consider this and Reject it.

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**constituentservices@utah.gov** <constituentservices@utah.gov>  
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Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 5:00 PM

November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

**Constituent:** Taylor, Rebecca

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Rebecca Taylor  
943 E 1375 N  
Ogden UT 84404



**Constituent Email:** [rebeccaataylor10@gmail.com](mailto:rebeccaataylor10@gmail.com)

**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Rocky Mountain Power wanting to increase bill to those who have rooftop solar , please don't allow RKY MT Power to increase the fees for those who have or will get solar panels for their roof top to help with our air quality and improve the quality of life for the next generation's of Utah. They have done this in other states and basically put a halt to people adding solar to their houses, Solar has added thousands of jobs to the State and is helping to improve our air quality

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 5:00 PM

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November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

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CJ Wirth

West Valley UT 84120

**Constituent Email:** [cwirth1026@yahoo.com](mailto:cwirth1026@yahoo.com)

**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Please Reject RMP Proposal My husband and I were wanting to get solar to save money on our electric bills, which have slowly been getting higher and higher. The guy that came to our house gave us a really good presentation, but now that we heard about this we're really disappointed that we are going to have to cut other important expenses now instead. Please reject this new proposal so that people like us have the opportunity to save money and help the environment.

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**constituentservices@utah.gov** <constituentservices@utah.gov>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 5:01 PM

To: gwiderburg@utah.gov

November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

**Constituent:** Williams, Connor

**Constituent Address:**

Connor Williams  
1248 E 60 S  
Lindon UT 84042

**Constituent Email:** [connor.williams@live.com](mailto:connor.williams@live.com)

**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Please Reject Rocky Mountain Power's proposal against solar. Hi, My name is Connor, and I am a solar salesman. I did not believe in solar before this year. My friend recruited me and I did not have a reason to not sell solar, so I learned as much as I can about it. I want to have solar when my wife and I have our own house, but Rocky Mountain Power is making that option disappear for our future. Reasons I want to go solar are: 1. Rocky Mountain Power has no competitors other than solar and just like everything else, the prices of electricity are going to be very expensive and continue to rise in price as the future comes. Solar needs to be in place as a solid option for Utah residential homeowners, or Rocky Mountain Power will continue to be a monopoly which is negative for everyone other than people working for Rocky Mountain Power. 2. Solar is a way to be self-sustainable by owning my own source of power. 3. I am in the mechanical engineering program at BYU and all technological advancements we enjoy today are because of growth in those industries that we've had inventions. If Rocky Mountain Power makes the changes it desires to on the 9th of December, there will not be an opening for advancements in the technology of solar. Even if we as a society are advancing, Rocky Mountain Power will hold back our society from advancing in the electrical industry like an anchor on a boat, and coal-produced electricity will be the only available option for the common-man. Just like "putting all your eggs in one basket" is a bad idea, only having one basket to choose from—coal-produced electricity—is a bad idea. No one ever got anywhere with only one-option. If coal is the only option for growth in the electrical industry, we will be limited to growth because as you know, coal is not unlimited, and all technological advancements came from an availability to do so. Please consider the adverse effects Rocky Mountain Power's decisions will have on our societies future if they are allowed to move forward with their proposal. -Connor Williams

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**constituentservices@utah.gov** <constituentservices@utah.gov>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 5:02 PM

To: gwiderburg@utah.gov

November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

**Constituent:** Nilsen, Britton

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Britton Nilsen

177 E Water Ln  
Vineyard UT 84058

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**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Save Solar!! I am one of many who is likely to lose my job if Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) gets its way. Much of our business is done in Utah, and we will suffer as a company tremendously. We are doing our best to look at getting into other markets to bolster our revenues, but this takes time. RMP's proposal gave us no time. These proposed changes by RMP will greatly damage the Utah economy by the hundreds (if not thousands) of solar employees that will now be unemployed. This is too heavy a cost. More time needs to be spent analyzing alternative solutions to RMP's concerns about increased costs associated with their Net Metering of Solar Customers, as well as their decreased revenue to cover their grid maintenance costs. If I weren't so busy trying to get us into other markets right now, I could spend more time analyzing RMP's problems and provide some suggested alternatives. Right now all my energy is spent towards ensuring I still have a job. If I know I have time, I am confident that we can all work together to come up with a mutually beneficial (win-win) solution to the problem RMP is facing.

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 5:02 PM

November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

**Constituent:** Boaz, Joshua

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Joshua Boaz  
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Provo UT 84606

**Constituent Email:** [joshboaz820@gmail.com](mailto:joshboaz820@gmail.com)

**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Urge Public Service Commission to Reject RMP Proposal to Change NEM Program To Whom It May Concern: I'm writing in regards to Rocky Mountain Power's deadline of December 9th 2016 for NEM applications to be submitted under the existing plan. These proposed changes and charges to future solar customers have caused uncertainty that's been placed in the public mind. This uncertainty will make it challenging for anyone to go solar after the December 9th without knowing what rate plan they will be on. As a highly involved solar sales representative, I've noticed solar applications drop significantly in Utah, just like they did in Nevada after a similar

deadline was set. For the solar market to continue to exist and to allow people to continue to work in the industry after the December 9th, it's crucial that the Utah Public Service Commission remove the December 9th NEM changes. The public needs to know they are protected under current NEM laws until the time the final decision is made. As I've already previously stated, my company has noticed solar NEM applications decrease as a result of the uncertainty placed in the market by Rocky Mountain Power. We expect that after December 9th NEM applications will come to a stop without knowing what the result of this proposal. The deadline has already caused a decrease in permitting applications to our local offices and solar markets throughout Salt Lake County, Utah County, Ogden, and Southern Utah counties as well. The result has been a loss of revenue to our local cities. We agree that careful deliberation should occur regarding this landmark proposal by Rocky Mountain Power. Homeowners need to know what plan they will be on. Utah's growth to the solar industry has been tremendous. The December 9th decision will stop the progress to make clean energy in Utah possible and negatively affect the local economy. Below, I've listed some very important key points to the impact the NEM decision on December 9th will have on Utah's economy and financial state: As of 2015: · There were more than 92 solar companies at work throughout the value chain in Utah, employing 2,679 people. This boosts the State's economy and tax revenue. · In 2015, Utah installed 231 MW of solar electric capacity, ranking it eighth nationally. Installed solar capacity in Utah has grown by 1538% over the last year. · In 2015, \$389 million was invested on solar installations in Utah. This represents a 1168% increase over the previous year, and is expected to grow again this year. Again this brings tax revenue to the State. · The 391 MW of solar energy currently installed in Utah ranks the state 14th in the country in installed solar capacity. There is enough solar energy installed in the state to power 67,000 homes. This dramatically eases generation needs of Rocky Mountain Power and eases the burden placed upon the grid, a much needed benefit for our State's fast growing population. · Over the next five years, Utah is expected to install 2684 MW of solar electric capacity, ranking the state sixth over that time span. This amount is more than 11 times the amount of solar installed over the last five years and will multiply the benefits listed above. The December 9th deadline will cause such a significant impact upon the Utah job market, state revenues and fair competition, a simple e-mail notification for concerned citizens is not the right format. A public hearing needs to be scheduled prior to December 9, 2016 to provide an open and fair format to comment. A precedent to protect the current NEM laws as deliberation takes place has been set in both Nevada and California when the Investor Owned Utilities also made similar requests to the PUC. Utah must follow this example and continue to allow for people to go to work until the final decision is made. Here's a quote from the State of Nevada's decision to consider its NEM changes: "The Nevada Public Utilities Commission has voted to extended the state's existing solar net metering policy through the end of year, as the commission debates the future of the program." The Utah Public Service Commission needs to follow this example. "We are grateful that the commission's decision will allow Nevadans to return to their jobs today, while the commission determines long-term rules for solar net metering," said Bryan Miller, co-chairman of TASC. I urgently ask you to reconsider the NEM changes and additional charges proposed by Rocky Mountain Power. Do not pass them, especially not without a public forum and an opportunity for Utah's citizens to voice their concerns and opinions about the topic. Thank you for listening to your Utah citizens and respecting their constitutional right to freedom of speech. Josh Boaz Utah Resident, Provo, UT Clean Energy Specialist, Solcius Solar (C) 951.239.7619 (O) 385.225.8205 [www.solcius.com](http://www.solcius.com)

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 5:03 PM

November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

**Constituent:** Rooney, James

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James Rooney

West Jordan UT 84084

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**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Residential Solar RMP The Rocky Mountain? Power residential solar energy plan should be VERY CAREFULLY investigated. It is obviously promoted and funded by big oil/coal fuel to squash the movement by the enlightened power users to reduce the use of carbon based fuels. These people have used their own money (with some subsidies) with a very long pay back in order to reduce our ever increasing air pollution. As Governor, you breath the same air as I do and should consider what this move by RMP is doing to the air that you and your children are breathing. Do the right thing and help to deny this request by RMP and instead encourage the expansion of residential solar. Thank you. Jim Rooney, Retired Chemical Engineer.

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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To: gwiderburg@utah.gov

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 5:03 PM

November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

**Constituent:** Norton, Jory

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42 S. 800 E.  
American Fork UT 84003

**Constituent Email:** [jorynorton@gmail.com](mailto:jorynorton@gmail.com)

**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Support Solar Power in Utah I personally know many great hard working utahns who have been positively impacted by Solar Power both on their homes, and as their employment. Please help save Utah solar, and Utah jobs.

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**constituentservices@utah.gov** <constituentservices@utah.gov>  
To: gwiderburg@utah.gov

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 5:04 PM

November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

**Constituent:** Wilcox, Clayton

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Provo UT 84604

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**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Docket 16-035-T14 Governor Herbert I work for a solar company. I was so excited when I got this job because I realized I could take part in protecting the environment and improving our future. When I see the air quality in the valley, especially in the summer months, I realize, we need to make changes. And, I'm doing my part to help make things better. Rocky Mountain Power's proposed rate change will not allow customers to understand their choice until a decision is reached by the Commission. So, customers will be nervous to go solar after December 9th, until after the final decision is reached. This is a tricky and deceitful, move by Rocky Mountain Power as it removes the ability of any new solar customers to make an informed decision about switching to solar for the next 8 months until the final decision is made. I agree that the Commission needs to address the issue of rates for solar, but, please let potential customers know that their rates will stay intact for the foreseeable future. Planning to make the rates retroactive to December 9th once the final decision is made will significantly affect the solar industry on December 9th. Customers will be frightened by the drastic and obtuse rate changes in the proposal which, in my opinion, will be extremely reduced or done away with sometime next year. Please look into it and make a good decision. Clayton Wilcox

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 5:05 PM

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November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

**Constituent:** Barton, Tyler

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Tyler Barton  
109 south 100 east #9  
Cedar City UT 84720

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**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:**



**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: RMP utility request Governor Herbert, I urge you not allow the public service commission to allow rocky mountain power to raise their rates. My wife and I would love to put solar up on our house. As it stands, i don't own a home yet. I'm only starting my professional career, and i'm not in a position to buy a house until next year. My wife has asthma and I want to do my part clean up the air we all breathe. The proposed rate changes will make it so that me and my family won't ever be able to afford to go solar. Please don't let allow the requests of large corporations to take away the wonderful opportunity Utah families have to make our air cleaner. Sincerely, Tyler Barton

Thank you.

Constituent Services.

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**constituentservices@utah.gov** <constituentservices@utah.gov>  
To: gwiderburg@utah.gov

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 5:05 PM

November 22, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

**Constituent:** Bowcutt, Ryan

**Constituent Address:**

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Draper UT 84020

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**Mobile #:**

**Home #:**

**Office #:**

**Subject:** Public Service Commission

**Request (Closed):** Subject: Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment According to a paper published in a respected scientific paper less than two weeks ago, global temperatures are on track to rise as much as 13 degrees within a lifetime. This is worse than previously thought because it now appears that as climates warm, they become more sensitive to the effects of CO2, creating a feedback loop of sorts that accelerates warming. [www.independent.co.uk/a7407881.html](http://www.independent.co.uk/a7407881.html) A temperature rise of this magnitude would literally be apocalyptic. It would likely decimate humanity and countless other species. Measurable, irreparable damage is already being done to our planet. This is all thanks to our obsession with consumption and short-term monetary gain at the expense of everything else. This obsession is destroying us along with everything worth protecting on this planet, and if short-sighted, self-centered profiteers like Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) get their way, this is exactly what it will do. We therefore have a solemn duty to stop such destructive efforts as RMP's latest proposal, which would wreak havoc on Utah's solar industry and move our state in the wrong direction. We must do everything in our power to promote clean energy even when it requires sacrifice. Without a healthy, habitable planet, nothing else matters. If RMP can innovate and improve itself in a way that promotes clean energy and helps its customers and our planet, it can continue to exist. If it can't, we have no choice but to phase it out of our society and replace it with something that will serve the common good. As a resident of Utah and Planet Earth, I urge you to do whatever is necessary to stop RMP's proposal. There is no cost/benefit analysis to be done here; this is a no-brainer. And it's a historic, high-profile case - legislators, regulatory bodies, utilities, companies, and individuals around the nation will see how you act. Please lead by example and set a good precedent. Please, for all of our sakes, do the right thing! Ryan Bowcutt

Thank you.

Constituent Services.







PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## Letter of Protest

1 message

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**Jolyn Stevens** <jolyn@elementscapitalgroup.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:29 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

To Whom It May Concern:

I have learned that Rocky Mountain Power is attempting to **unreasonably** raise the costs for new rooftop solar customers, which effectively restricts free trade and limits access to clean and efficient energy. Being a finance company affiliated with a bank that provides financial support to many of those participating in or purchasing products from the solar industry, **I strongly oppose** these attempts by Rocky Mountain Power to **penalize** solar customers (and solar businesses) through rate increases.

It is important that there is freedom of choice for consumers to elect their source of power and to be enabled to save money through the use of solar power. Utah has long been regarded as a state encouraging forward thinking businesses and cutting edge technology, and efforts have been made for years by state and local leaders to promote that nationally. Solar power is not a trend, but is the future of energy, and Utah has the opportunity to be an example to the rest of the country and become a leader in renewable energy production.

I am disappointed that Rocky Mountain Power has chosen to put its bottom line ahead of the clean air, consumer choice, solar jobs, and the health of Utah residents.

**This is my personal disagreement with and complaint regarding Rocky Mountain Power's actions.** I oppose it and hope that this can be stopped to save jobs, the environment, and consumer's choices.

Thank you,

**Jolyn Stevens**  
**Director of Operations**  
**941-306-7369**





PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## Solar power

1 message

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**prattdh** <prattdh@netzero.net>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:32 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

I am writing the to save the solar energy. I put solar on my home several months ago. I love the clean power of the sun. we need to keep solar alive and viable in utah. There are so many benefits of solar for consumers of energy and the environment. Keep solar in utah, not let the monopoly power companies dictate how a consumer chooses to obtain power!!!

Dewey Pratt Syracuse Utah

Sent from my Verizon 4G LTE smartphone



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Solar Energy

1 message

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**Ron** <ronw\_001@hotmail.com>  
To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:38 PM

To whom it may concern,

Don't give in to Pacific Corp. Many of us "commoners" have installed solar panels in an effort to be greener and help preserve the beautiful world in which we live. As individual taxpayers we have invested lots of money to reduce our carbon footprint and we should not be penalized because some large corporation is worried about not making as much money as the would like to. Please consider the little guy when making this important decision for Utah and our energy sustainability

Ronald Williams

2508 Peachwood Way

South Weber, UT 84405



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Please Reject Changes to Rocky Mountain's Net Metering

1 message

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**Eliane Wiese** <eliane.stampfer.wiese@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:40 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Public Service Commission,

I am opposed to the proposed changes in Rocky Mountain's net metering (Docket number 14-035-114). Utah should be promoting clean energy, and this proposal does the opposite. We need more investment in solar energy, and the current net metering structure encourages individuals to do that. Solar power provides jobs and economic activity along with protecting our environment and our air quality. Utah should support both Rocky Mountain Power and rooftop solar customers by investing in smart grid technology. In the meantime, I hope you reject this proposal and keep Utah on track for clean energy production.

Sincerely,  
Eliane Wiese  
Proud Utah Voter



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## I support solar energy in Utah

1 message

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**Janet Jorgensen** <j\_jorgensen@hotmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:46 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

TO whom it may concern,

I support solar energy and I support the possibility of adjusting rates as part of a full rate case where all costs and benefits of solar energy can be evaluated.

Thank you,

Janet Jorgensen

West Jordan, UT



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## Solar Rate changes for Rocky Mountain Power

1 message

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**Bret Mills** <bret.wx7y@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:47 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

I live in Rural Utah and I wish to voice my opposition to this rate change and ask the PSC to deny Schedule 136 and its related Schedule 5 tarif.

This is really detrimental to ALL Utah citizens who want to do there part in reducing pollution in our air and to help our aging power distribution system continue to have safe reliable power from Rocky Mountain Power to ALL the citizens in Utah.

Approval of this proposal would be very counter productive I think for ALL of us.

The waist of money that our friends and neighbors who have invested their hard earned money SHOULD BE REWARDDED and not held ransom by Rocky Mountain power .

So I hope the PSC will stand up for the citizens of Utah and certainly oppose and the deny Schedule 136 and its related Schedule 5 tarif.

Thank you very much for your time efforts on this matter .

Bret Mills  
Castle Dale, Utah  
[435-381-5640](tel:435-381-5640)



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## Docket #14-035-114, #16-035-t14

1 message

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**Becca F** <beccaacceb@hotmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:48 PM

To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

For those of us who can't afford the outrageous prices of rocky mountain power please keep the option of solar. It is good for our pockets and our environment.

Rebecca Fager





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## Solar

1 message

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**Cody Brown** <cody@imwindandsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:48 PM

To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

Commissioners,

Please allow me to express my disgust with all that RMP has threatened to do. Its unfair and unamerican to allow such a wealthy monopoly gauge its people and increase cost. Its sad to me that our representatives (you) would even consider it. Represent us with fairness and stop feeding a beast that is too large already Please suspend and reject. Its embarrassing how our government and representatives can so easily be bought. Please do the right thing. Thank you.

Cody Brown  
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## RMP proposed rate increase

1 message

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**Tyler Barton** <ttbarton52@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:51 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Cc: jcafferty@solcius.com

To whom it may concern

I urge you not allow rocky mountain power to raise their rates. My wife and I would love to put solar up on our house. As it stands, i don't own a home yet. I'm only starting my professional career , and i'm not in a position to buy a house until next year. My wife has asthma and I want to do my part clean up the air we all breathe. The proposed rate changes will make it so that me and my family won't ever be able to afford to go solar.

Please don't let allow the requests of large corporations to take away the wonderful opportunity Utah families have to make our air cleaner.

Sincerely,

Tyler Barton

Sent from my iPad



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## Docket 14-035-114 Net Metering Policy Proposal

1 message

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**Andrew Cusick** <andrew.cusick@ccbankutah.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:51 PM

To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

Hello,

As you know, last week Rocky Mountain Power proposed new rates for solar energy customers that are some of the most aggressive, anti-solar, anti-consumer and anti-competitive net metering policies ever brought forward by a utility in the United States. This should not be allowed as it will be bad for air quality, bad for business, and is a very unfair towards customers.

Rocky Mountain Power should not be allowed to unreasonably raise the costs for new rooftop solar customers, restrict free trade, and limit access to clean & efficient energy.

Thank you,

Andrew Cusick

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## Solar rate change

1 message

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**Dan & Patty Meldrum** <pdmeldrum@q.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:52 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

To whom it may concern;

I do not have solar panels on my home but I am concerning them in the future. If you approve the rate change proposed by Rocky Mountain Power it will negatively affect my decision to have solar panels installed on my home in the future. I am against the rate increase as I believe it will keep me from getting solar panels in the future as I am in the early stages of my decision process.

Thank you,

Dan Meldrum

Cottonwood Heights

Sent from my iPad



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## Rocky Mountain proposal regarding rooftop solar customers

1 message

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**Monica Harrison** <mkharr05@yahoo.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:52 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

I have recently signed up for rooftop solar. While it isn't yet installed, I look forward to generating electricity rather than just using it. When I told my young adult children we were getting solar, they were so pleased because of the positive impact it will have on the environment.

If Rocky Mountain's proposal is approved as submitted, there is no way we could have afforded to take this action. From what I read, RMP hasn't done a proper study to evaluate an accurate cost of being on the grid vs. not. I request that RMP's request not be considered until they have accurate and verifiable numbers to support the level of increases they ask for.

I believe the solar industry is vital to the economy and environment of the state of Utah. It creates jobs and clean energy. Don't let RMP kill the solar industry in Utah like its sister company did in Nevada, another state perfectly suited for solar.

Thank you,  
Monica Harrison  
Centerville, UT

Sent from my iPhone



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**Docket 14-035-114 Net Meter Compliance Filing**

1 message

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**Hal Crimmel** <hcrimmel@weber.edu>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:52 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Public Service Commission:

I am writing emailing to express my concern over the net meter rate schedule proposed by Rocky Mountain, Pow in reference to Docket 14-035-114 Net Meter Compliance Filing.

As outlined in your report, there are real issues going forward investing in a grid that works under the distributed model of renewable energy, and I encourage Rocky Mountain Power to continue to plan for that future. Solar could be a significant new source of energy instead of fossil fuels. Individuals investing in rooftop solar are allies in this cause, and as residential storage technology improves, will help Rocky Mountain Power create a robust and sustainable power grid.

This plan stands to cripple the rooftop solar industry in Utah. The pricing structure ensures that solar installation would rarely recoup the large initial investment. Further, the peak power demand charge, modeled after commercial solar installations, penalizes residential grid-tied customers. The proposal would also penalize owners of both solar panels and electric cars, discouraging such an investment just when it is crucial that we get tailpipes out of the way to improve air quality. There are quite a few other fee models that could be proposed that don't use commercial solar as a model.

I agree that solar users benefit from the current net meter fee structure, but everyone else benefits from more renewables on the grid, meaning better air quality for everyone. The last thing we should do is discourage people from investing their own money in rooftop solar.

As it stands, I cannot support this plan and I would encourage you to extend the public comment period so that a stakeholders can adequately review your proposal.

Sincerely

Hal Crimmel

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Hal Crimmel

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## Rocky Mountain Power's Proposed Rate Change

1 message

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Casey Trout <caseytrout@live.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:53 PM

To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

Hi,

I would like to voice my opposition to RMP's proposed rate change for users with solar panels. I believe that clean energy should never be dis-incentivized. It makes sense to produce power where it is actually need through roof top solar instead of transporting it from a coal or natural gas powered plant. We should be doing everything we can to incentivize solar and RMP's proposed rate change could lead to greatly reducing the number of homes that install solar in the coming years.

Thanks,

Casey Trout

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0199 Old Main Hill

Logan, UT 84322





PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

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## Rocky Mountain Power solar rate increase

1 message

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**Scott Bartlett** <scottalltogether@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:56 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Please do not approve Rocky Mountain Power's requested solar rate increase. I understand their need to protect their company and their investment in infrastructure, but their request will kill solar power in Utah. I think this would be bad for consumers and businesses. I also think rooftop solar power can and should be a huge part of Utah's energy future, both for environmental and energy independence reasons. There are certainly challenges to be met to make best use of rooftop solar, but those challenges are not a reason to kill the industry . A comprehensive solution that will promote rooftop solar and help Rocky Mountain Power serve the state is needed. Their proposal serves only them.



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## A citizens concern with Rocky Mountain Power and Docket 14-035-1 14 Net Metering Policy Proposal

1 message

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**Lucas McDermott** <lucas.mcdermott@auricsolar.com>  
To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>  
Cc: Lucas McDermott <lucas.mcdermott@auricsolar.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:57 PM

To decision makers on/of this matter:

There is a legitimate multitude of reasons why preventing this cost increase is in accord with the very best decision of all valid community & worldwide interests involved. The most substantial to me are; unhindered access to rooftop solar for Americans from all walks of life. The true impact data shows an overwhelmingly positive influence of decentralized solar production from net metering customers to the grids benefit illustrating no justification for an increase in cost.

The fact is that the solar energy inverter manufacturers know more about the utility grid and solar's impact upon it than the utilities do in many cases. Breaking up a monopoly can meet with significant resistance as we have seen in other states across our nation. Attempting to slow or stop the state and overall country's adoption of clean, renewable energy is an attack on the future of our planet. I am not willing to condone or accept anyone's short-term financial gain over the longevity of our natural resources and human health/livelihood. More than enough damage has already occurred in relation to fossil fuels!

As an American armed forces veteran; The Mission Continues Fellow Alumni and simply an individual civilian; I am concerned that the American people and in this case Utah residents are not being heard or listened to over corporate and/or government agendas designed to dim the very bright idea of enlightening our children's renewable solar energy future.

Lucas McDermott  
Energy Consultant



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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## RMP Solar proposal

1 message

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ceburto@comcast.net <ceburto@comcast.net>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:59 PM

To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

Hello

I'm writing to ask you to deny RMP's requests to change solar users fees.

I've had solar for five+ years and it makes me extremely happy knowing that I am helping to offset unclean/finite/polluting energy sources and I think everyone should have that opportunity

RMPs proposal is short sighted and does not take into account that we as a human race need to re think our energy sources over the next 100-200 years.

Further, RMP's proposal will deter citizens from installing earth saving solar...do we really want to be like NV and AZ, two states that could produce infinite amounts of solar energy but the solar industry has virtually dried up due to restrictive pricing by the electric companies?.....I THINK NOT!

I'm not opposed to pay a bit extra to RMP to help maintain the grid but RMP's current proposal is far beyond what is needed to help maintain the grid. I know a compromise can be reached but one that preserves an incentive to install solar.

Thanks

Catherine E. Burton, MD

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10



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## I support solar energy and the environment

1 message

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**Dave Cook** <davecook27@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 4:59 PM

To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

I am writing to the Commission today to voice my support for the Solar industry in Utah. Solar energy is clean. Solar energy results in a public benefit (cleaner air) that benefits all the residents of Utah, not just those who make the investment in solar panels. Rocky Mountain Power's proposal to increase fees and costs for solar customers is meant to reduce demand for new solar installations. Rocky Mountain Power does not care about environment or the air of Utah. The company only cares about its profits. The company says it is trying to make solar customers pay for their fair share of the costs of the grid, but their aggressive proposal does not take into account the positive benefits of solar that we all enjoy. Also, I believe their arguments regarding the cost of the grid do not accurately take into account solar customers' usage patterns or other intangible benefits that come from solar customers being able to feed the grid. I believe the current pricing schedule is fair to solar customers, and any increase will make it uneconomical, pushing the payback period from 15 to 30 years or more. I urge the Commission to take the positive benefits of solar and the environment into account when setting the fees and rates.

Thank you,  
David Cook  
Draper, UT