



## ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER SUPPORT -- EXPANDED SOLAR REBATE

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Utah Public Service Commission  
Heber M. Wells Building  
160 East 300 South  
Salt Lake City, UT 84114

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE UTAH PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Re: Docket No. 07-035-T14: In the Matter of the Approval of Rocky Mountain Power's Tariff P.S.C.U. No. 47, Re: Schedule 107 - Solar Incentive Program**

Thank you for considering the following input as you review the above-referenced matter.

**Background:** I am a long-time member of the renewable energy community. After co-founding International Solar and Energy Conservation (ISEC) in Denver, Colorado in the late 1970's, I came to Utah to make alcohol and feed brewers grains to what became some of Utah County's happiest dairy cows. I now oversee Sales & Marketing for Progressive Power Solutions, an Orem-based renewable energy company in its sixth year of business. Two thoughts:

1. **Support the Program:** I support the expansion of Rocky Mountain Power's Solar Incentive Program. Taking this step is wise, foresighted and timely. It will create jobs and benefit all of Rocky Mountain Power's Utah customers, as well as state's economy, and the environment.
2. **Compensate Rocky Mountain Power:** Although I am not aware if this is the proper forum in which to present this opinion, I suggest that it is fair and equitable to consider compensating Rocky Mountain Power, and other utilities that support net-metering, for "storing" electricity.

**Conclusion:** I believe that Utah could and should be one of the centers for the development and deployment of distributed lifestyle technologies, of which renewable energy is certainly a key component. When a corporate citizen of Rocky Mountain Power's size and stature endows the state with this kind of Solar Incentive Program, everybody wins.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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