

Dear Commissioners:

As local energy consumers, we appreciate the Utah Public Service Commission thoroughly considering fair pricing for wholesale renewable energy from facilities between 3 and 80 MW. My name is Bill Barron, and I am the founder and co-leader with Dave Folland of the Utah Chapter of the Citizens Climate Lobby. We represent an organization that is an international non-partisan non-profit with 88 groups in the US and Canada. We are lobbying at the federal level to promote a tax on carbon emissions, with 100% of the revenue returned to households as a direct and transparent (market driven) way to reduce emissions and accelerate a transition to clean energy.

Here locally, we believe there is the opportunity for the Commission to take a leadership role in increasing the amount of Renewable Energy in Utah. We urge you to support fair pricing for wholesale renewable energy for many reasons: We believe we must make critical decisions regarding our energy supply that considers the impact of our decisions for the long term. The growing and volatile cost of fossil fuels, and the direct impact its use has on our environment and human health support the value of clean energy. While fossil fuels are currently cheaper in price in the short term, they impose significant costs and negative impacts over the long-term. As consumers, we ask that you develop a pricing methodology for renewable energy that compensates for costs and impacts that it avoids.

We ask you to consider the externalized costs of using fossil fuels in regards to our air and water quality, our human health, and its impact on climate change, and urge you to consider the benefits that could come from your ruling on this issue.

We must face the impacts of climate change together. We believe that there is a great opportunity for Rocky Mountain Power and its customers to take advantage of Utah's abundant supply of renewable energy and make proactive decisions that show a commitment to the well being of coming generations at a time that it is so urgently needed.

We request the Public Service Commission to support fair pricing for wholesale renewable energy and urge you to allow the renewable energy developer to keep all the renewable energy credits associated with its power generation.

Best,

Bill Barron-Founder and Co-Leader of the Utah Chapter of the Citizens Climate Lobby

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