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To: psc@utah.gov

The members of Christ United Methodist Church, through its Social Justice Committee, are aware of a proposal by Rocky Mountain Power to add a \$4.25 per month fee, along with other rate changes, to customers who have installed net-metered solar systems on their homes. We are writing to let you know that we believe this action is not in the interest of Utah citizens. As a part of the United Methodist Church's Social Creed, we support actions that help care for all Creation. Promotion of renewable energy efforts are demonstrations of that care. This is why, in 2009, our congregation accepted a challenge from Rocky Mountain Power's Blue Sky program and raised matching funds to install 23-Kw of solar power on our church building, the first congregation in Utah to do so. At the dedication ceremony for our solar project, with Rocky Mountain Power representatives present, our minister challenged all who were gathered to make our congregation's example only the beginning. We were urged, as members of faith, to prayerfully consider what steps we could take as individuals to reduce energy use and to seek renewable energy options for our own homes. This had led several of our members to make the decision to install residential solar, and others hope to follow as their personal finances allow.

Rocky Mountain Power's new solar residential fee proposal disincentivizes individuals from making this right choice for renewable energy. Instead, RMP should be rewarding those who choose to do something in caring for the Earth. It is our hope that you will prayerfully consider this decision and choose to deny Rocky Mountain Power's solar penalty fee request.

Sincerely,

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