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Regarding the extra fee that Rocky Mountain Power, RMP, is planning on charging residential net metering customers:

It would nice if the fee correlated to the amount of grid used and the power produced by net metering customer. For, example, if you could design the fee so that solar customers would be incentivized to pre-cool their houses when solar power is at a maximum, say 2:00PM, then they wouldn't need to draw power at 7:00PM when it's the most expensive for RMP to produce. This could be done using time-of-use metering.

Also, if solar customers generate excess electricity it would be great if they could use that excess to offset the solar tax that RMP wants to charge residential net-metering customers.

Of course the most important consideration, which I hear nobody talking about, is carbon produced by burning coal. RMP is not paying the actual cost to society of this carbon pollution. Solar customers should be compensated for the reduction in carbon they bring to the society.

The study by Rocky Mountain Power is inadequate to address the cost and benefits of net-meter customers. They considered only a small set of power use data, excluding commercial customers. They ignored any benefits of reduction of carbon, power plant infrastructure, transmission infrastructure and they are not an impartial party -- they have a vested interest in imposing a fee to residential solar customers.

You should encourage an impartial review of all the issues and design a fee that provides incentives to move us from a coal intensive energy system to a carbon free energy system.

Thanks,
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