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Utah Public Service Commission
Heber M. Wells Building
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RE: Docket ID # 14-035-114

Commissioners:

I write as a private citizen. But as Natural Resources Director for League of Women Voters SL, and a Board Member of Breathe Utah, I am very concerned about our air quality, and I know the coal generation plants need to be gone from our State. The easy solution outlined below is profitable to the utility and all the citizens. I am writing to insist that you not grant PacificCorp the right to charge net metering fees to homeowners who have installed solar energy facilities.

The time may come to allow fees to support electric infrastructure and installations--we have not reached that point. First PacificCorp, and all electric utilities, should be encouraged to encourage renewable energy installations. It is good for our State, and in general, to produce environmentally friendly power at peak use times, taking to take the load off the utility and prevent burning excessive fossil fuels.

PacificCorp has an alternative easily available, which is to install **community solar** generating facilities themselves, to profit from the clean energy. This can easily be managed profitably in our increasingly warm, dry environment by leasing rooftops and owning the installations. For payment of a small rent, PacificCorp can go right on being profitable while also providing cleaner air and less carbon pollution.

Installations on available school rooftops, condos, and similar large expanses of correctly facing and sloping roofs would be easy to build and easy to maintain. The power produced would be cheap; and being locally produced, there'd be no line losses. Such an outcome would be win-win.

PacificCorp has claimed that peak generation doesn't match peak demand. It would be easy to modulate the summer peak demand to match the summer peak generating power by encouraging people to keep their air conditioning turned on during midafternoon hours. Everyone would benefit; working people would come home to a cool house, and the power company would decrease peak needs from their facilities, and could sell excess peak power at a great profit to the grid.

Until the utility decides to cooperate with the people for an excellent outcome and their own excellent income, it is unreasonable to allow them to charge net metering line fees. They do have the power to fix the problem.

Cordially,



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