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Public Service Commission

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Mon, Nov 28, 2016 at 8:29 AM

To: gwiderburg@utah.gov

November 28, 2016

Cain, Tyler

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

Constituent: Trela, Patty**Constituent Address:**Patty Trela
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Request (Closed): Subject: Rocky Mtn Power and solar energy Please stop Rocky Mountain Power from increasing fees for those of use who have solar panels. It unfairly punishes us who are trying to save money by using less power. Rocky Mountain Power is a monopoly and is trying to take away our consumer choice. We are also trying to help the environment to make this a better State to live in. Thank you.

Thank you.

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Mon, Nov 28, 2016 at 8:30 AM

To: gwiderburg@utah.gov

November 28, 2016

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You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

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Subject: Public Service Commission

Request (Closed): Subject: Rocky Mountain Power net metering tariff Governor Herbert, Today, Friday, 26 November 2016, as a current photovoltaic net metering customer, we received a letter from Rocky Mountain Power informing us of the proposed rate change for future net metering customers. It tells us that the proposed change "will be subject to the Utah Public Service Commission's public processes." The letter is dated three days before the end of the public comment period, but arrived four days after the end of the comment period. This is ridiculous, and smacks of gaming the system. It looks like Rocky Mountain Power is trying to prevent public comment on the proposed change by interested individuals. The 488-page proposal was submitted November 9th. The comment period went through November 21st, giving the people of the state of Utah less than two weeks to read their massive report and respond to it. Then they inform interested parties in a way that ensures that their comments will not be received within the allocated comment period. This history shows no attempt at and no interest in giving the people of this state the ability to review their proposal. Given that the company is a monopoly in those areas where the company provides power, and given that we, the people of Utah, will bear the costs of their proposal if it is enacted, the review and comment period should be extended. Thank you, Jared and Kim Jacobson 972 W. Fox Hollow Dr. North Salt Lake, Utah 84054

Thank you.

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Mon, Nov 28, 2016 at 2:41 PM

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November 28, 2016

Wall, Tiffeni

You have been assigned to reply to the following issue:

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Subject: Public Service Commission

Request (Closed): Subject: Rocky Mountain Power Attempt to Increase Rates for Rooftop Solar Customers Following is the text of an email that I sent to the Public Service Commission this afternoon. I'm writing to voice my opposition to Rocky Mountain Power's (RMP) recent filing of Advice No. 16-13 to change the rooftop solar rate structure effective next month. My concerns are several, among which are the following: • The timing and fast track nature of RMP's request are suspect. Important changes such as this should be subject to thorough scrutiny and should allow ample opportunity for public input. Any action that attempts to circumvent the normal rate-making process, as RMP's proposal does, should be soundly rejected by the Commission. • RMP's proposal fails to adequately consider the many benefits of rooftop

solar, among which are: reducing the need to build expensive new generation capacity and transmission infrastructure and reducing the environmental, public health and economic impacts of fossil fuel consumption. • RMP's proposed rate increase will destabilize the burgeoning solar industry in Utah, resulting in the loss of thousands of jobs and economic loss to the state. In order for homeowners to be willing to make the significant investment in rooftop solar, there needs to be some predictability regarding future rates. I speak from personal experience. I have been investigating an investment in rooftop solar for the last three months and was very close to making the decision to invest when I learned of RMP's proposal. Now I'm seriously reconsidering my decision because I have no confidence in what future power rates will be and, thus, what the payback period will be. I can imagine that many others are having similar reservations. If approved, RMP's rate increases will effectively eliminate future investments in rooftop solar and significantly harm Utah's rapidly growing solar industry. I respectfully urge the Commission to reject RMP's current rate change request. Thank you for the opportunity to provide input and for considering my request and similar requests of other interested and concerned citizens. Respectfully, Phil Romney South Jordan, UT philromney@msn.com 425-941-6058

Thank you.

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Proposed Rooftop Solar Rate Increase

1 message

Elaine Becker <becker_elaine@yahoo.com>

Fri, Nov 25, 2016 at 7:55 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Public Safety Commission:

Earlier this year my husband and I invested in rooftop solar panels. We did so believing that we were not only making a wise investment, but also with the belief that we were doing our part to reduce the demand on the power grid and, importantly, making a contribution to easing air pollution. It is with considerable dismay that we see the rooftop solar rate increase proposal being advanced by Rocky Mountain Power Company.

Even though we understand that, as existing solar users, this proposal does not affect our rates, we believe that our reason for going solar remains valid and that it would be a serious mistake to change the solar rate structure for future users without an independent assessment of all costs and benefits.

Considering the long term consequences for our state's utilities and environment, it would be a dereliction of your public trust if you were simply to consider this issue based on a proposal made by a private utility. The industry's principle interest is that which will bring it the greatest financial return. The Public Service Commission, on the other hand, must balance what is fair for the public and industry. You owe it to the citizens of Utah to independently conduct a comprehensive study of the future of rooftop solar, both its costs and benefits. A study that relies on independently gathered data, considers all factors, including the environmental impact, and provides the perspective of all affected stakeholders. This is bigger than Rocky Mountain Power Company and its customers. I urge you to give this issue the attention it deserves. Put off any decision until an independent study is completed. Take the time to do the right thing, not just what the industry has requested.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Elaine Becker