

## Public Comments on Docket No. 14-035-114 in opposition to proposed rate change

1 message

Diana Schraedel (ladyvivien799@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Tue, Jun 20, 2017 at 8:54

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To: psc@utah.gov

Dear UT PSC.

I was considering rooftop solar because my utility bill is so terribly in winter that I can hardly afford it. It got up to \$279.00 this winter and I was nearly in shock. I am a widow on a fixed income. Please deny Rocky Mountain's request. That is so unfair. They make enough money already.

Dear Utah Public Service Commission Chair LeVar, Commissioners Clark and White,

I strongly urge you to deny Rocky Mountain Power's request to impose punitive rates that would unfairly penalize Utah's rooftop solar customers.

Rooftop solar benefits all customers by reducing the need to build new polluting power plants, saving all customers money. Rooftop solar also protects our air and water by using clean, free sunshine as opposed to dirty fossil fuels. These benefits far outweigh the cost shifts alleged by Rocky Mountain Power, which at most amount to only a penny or two per month for average non-solar customers.

Utah should learn from neighboring states that have been down this road before. States where utilities succeeded in implementing similarly discriminatory rate designs like the one proposed by Rocky Mountain Power have suffered a near complete loss of rooftop solar development. This loss has meant less economic growth and fewer choices for customers. Rocky Mountain Power's plan to kill rooftop solar is the wrong path for Utah, a bad deal for customers, and hobbles Utah's vibrant solar industry.

Please reject Rocky Mountain Power's punitive rates for rooftop solar customers in favor of a rate structure that recognizes the enormous benefits that rooftop solar provides to all customers. Don't let Rocky Mountain Power's monopoly take away our rooftop solar!

cc: Cindy Crane, President and CEO, Rocky Mountain Power

Sincerely,

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# Docket 14-035-114: Rooftop Solar PSC Docket

1 message

Jocelyn Taylor <jocejtaylor@gmail.com> Reply-To: jocejtaylor@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Wed, Jun 21, 2017 at 9:31 AM

Please do the right thing. We need to be working together, taking steps towards a more sustainable future in our consumption of energy. It seems like such a no-brainer that we would do everything it takes to implement rooftop solar, making it available to everyone; but alas, here we are, having to fight for it.

Clean, sustainable energy should be given precedence over the financial gain of greedy men. Having said that, there is a lot of economic benefit to be gained with the expansion of rooftop solar. Let's create a future we are proud of. Let's make the necessary changes, starting now.

Thank you.

Jocelyn Taylor 810 S 1200 E Salt Lake City, UT 84102



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Lucas Wright-Moore < Lwrightmoore@gmail.com> Reply-To: Lwrightmoore@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Wed, Jun 21, 2017 at 9:44 AM

On November 9, Rocky Mountain Power filed a request before the Public Service Commission to raise rates on rooftop solar customers. I oppose this fee request. I do not believe the utility has proven that these customers burden other ratepayers or the system with significant costs.

There are many problems with the utility's claims, including:

Rocky Mountain Power's Cost of Service study dramatically over estimates the cost of servicing rooftop solar customers while underestimating the benefits solar provides to the grid and other ratepayers.

Almost 60% of the "costs" in Rocky Mountain Powers study are actually lost revenue for the utility, rather than actual engineering and maintenance costs. It is not appropriate that the utility seeks to force solar customers to fill its shareholders' pockets.

Lastly, the utility has failed to fully account many of the grid benefits which rooftop solar provides, such as transmission upgrades, deferred capital costs and avoided environmental compliance costs.

I hope the governor's office and the commission take a hard look at the many detailed and thorough testimonies which the solar industry and clean energy advocates will file in June 8.

Rooftop solar is not a "cost" for the grid, but a valuable resource and should be treated as such. These studies will prove it.

Thank you for your time.

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Wed, Jun 21, 2017 at 10:17

Dear UT PSC.

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Sincerely,

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Douglas Reynolds (saxflag@hotmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Wed, Jun 21, 2017 at 12:37

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To: psc@utah.gov

Dear UT PSC.

I have generated my own solar power for 13 years, saving everyone else the pollution costs if I had burned fossil fuels instead. Don't take Utah even further back to the dark ages. Cedar City is now surrounded by solar project, beneitting

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Sincerely,

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Nicole Sumner < Nicolemsumner 1@gmail.com> Reply-To: Nicolemsumner1@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Wed, Jun 21, 2017 at 1:22 PM

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Rooftop solar is not a "cost" for the grid, but a valuable resource and should be treated as such. These studies will prove it. As new solar customers, we would like to see rooftop solar remain an affordable option for others in our community.

Thank you for your time.

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Thomas S Smith (tom@bajabb.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com> To: psc@utah.gov

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Sincerely,

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