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## Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment

1 message

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**The Behles** <bsbehle@hotmail.com>

Wed, Nov 16, 2016 at 5:59 PM

To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

Re: Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment

Dear Commissioners,

Do you have families that look forward to the future?

I URGE you to DENY the utility's fast-track request and require it to use the normal rate-making process for its proposed changes.

Solar energy is finally becoming more available and affordable for our communities.

More rooftop solar means less carbon dioxide and particulate emissions from traditional power plants.

Supporting solar energy just makes sense. We need to think of the future of our children and planet. It is time to retool and be progressive with our energy consumption.

Thank you for taking the time to accept public input.

Once again I URGE you to consider the interests of ratepayers, the health and future of our communities and planet, to **reject PacifiCorp-RMP's current rate change request.**

Sarah Behle, Salt Lake City, UT 84105, [bsbehle@hotmail.com](mailto:bsbehle@hotmail.com)



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## Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment

1 message

David West &lt;davidwilfordwest@gmail.com&gt;

Wed, Nov 16, 2016 at 8:01 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear PSC Member,

Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) has put forth some regulation requests to the Utah Public Service Commission (PSC) that are in direct contradiction to the public interest. If these are passed by the PSC, Utah's booming residential solar market will come to a screeching halt.

Our entire community benefits from solar when an individual chooses to install solar on their own roof. Excess power is fed into the grid via a Net meter, which then is used in surrounding houses. This is called Distributed power, and lessens line load for RMP.

This proposal by RMP would reduce efficiency reduce air quality and reduce energy security through distributed generation and kill thousands of jobs. There are over 3,300 Utahns directly employed in solar and it is the fastest growing energy employer in the country. With these regulations, we will certainly see a thousand or more jobs disappear almost immediately.

This is a job killer and clean air killer.

In addition, this moves in in direct contradiction to RMP and the states energy conservation and efficiency programs and attempts to PENALIZE instead of REWARD subscribers who invest in high efficiency technology such as LED lighting and home solar generation, both of which create the same result, reducing grid load to the benefit of subscribers and RMP.

As a solar home owner in Salt Lake City, I am writing you to demand that you do not capitulate to Rocky Mountain Power's repeating attempts to unfairly penalize high efficiency customers, who install, at their own expense, technology such as LED lighting, high efficiency furnace and air conditioners, and solar panels to make my home more efficient and thereby reducing demand on the grid in accordance to RMP efficiency programs promoted on their website in their website.

- [Energy.Gov Listing of RMP Rebates for efficiency](#)
- [Wattsmart Program & rebates](#)
- [High Efficiency Resources & Governor's Office of Energy Resources & Priorities](#)

It is clear that their intent to selectively add compensatory fees to customers who achieve higher efficiency and reduce demand is blatantly contradictory to their own efficiency incentive programs and the state's energy goals for improving efficiency and reducing demand. This is contradictory to their own policy of efficiency and "WATSmart" savings.

Are we to conclude that RMP's programs for efficiency are only a PR campaign. When customers make their homes highly energy efficient and reduce their demand on the GRID to the benefit of grid efficiency, RMP attempts to add compensatory fees instead of award rebates or incentives.

It is clear that RMP is simply trying to eliminate competition from more efficient technology. This is NOT in the public interest or in the interest of the state and should NOT be allowed.

Key Points in Opposition to RMP request for discriminatory fees to high efficiency subscribers:

- RMP has a clear policy to reward energy efficiency by its customers (WATSmart program rebates and others)
- Making a home extremely energy efficient through consumer installation of technology should be rewarded by RMP not penalized
- RMP contends that the cost of grid access is ALREADY included in the price of energy purchased from RMP.
- Therefore, this fee is proportionately reduced to those who demand less energy from the grid.

- IF RMP wished to isolate this "access fee" then it should be charged equally to ALL customers as a flat access fee with the cost of energy by unit added on top of the basic access fee which is divided equally between ALL subscribers, and not selectively used as a penalty for high efficiency homes who have purchased solar energy in accordance to the national energy plan of distributed energy and energy security. If such an access fee should be determined by RMP, RMP should submit evidence for such a fee to the PUC and obtain approval for this fee along with the unit cost of energy.
- RMP should be penalized for carbon emissions for voluntarily generating power from coal and carbon fuel stocks, when clean energy alternatives are both available and have demonstrated cost parity
- RMP should be fined punitively for continuing to expose citizens to toxic emissions which have demonstrated a correlate to loss of life and hospital admissions and other liabilities to the community .

Sincerely,

David West



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**Rocky Mountain Power Net Metering T ariff. Docket No. 16-035-T14**1 message

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**Ian Rex** <ianrex3006@gmail.com>

Wed, Nov 16, 2016 at 8:09 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Commissioners,

Please do not approve the new Docket No. 16-035-T14 Net Metering tariff Rocky Mountain Power is trying to obtain approval on. It will without a doubt destroy solar in Utah. With our horrible air quality it makes no sense to eliminate solar as a practical option for consumers nor does it make any sense to give Rocky Mountain complete control over our power source like they have had for way too long. Rocky Mountain Power is a monopoly in our community that is guaranteed profit, is perpetuating an antiquated and expensive grid system, and sees the benefit of solar as long as it is theirs and they can continually charge rate payers to build their infrastructure. If it's good to have choices, that choice must be for the consumer, not a monopoly .

Our government should be looking out for citizens and not monopoly corporations. Nevada citizens have pushed for deregulation due to the harsh tactics of their utility killing solar and we will do the same in Utah if our choices are yet again eliminated to one option that hurts our pocketbooks.

Additionally, RMP is on the brink of a huge increase in electricity demand now that Tesla has made electric cars practical. Other manufacturers are following suit and huge numbers of these cars will be introduced to our roads in the next 10-15 years. There will not be a shortage of demand for electricity .

Do the right thing, help us change our energy future.

Thank you for your time,

Ian Rex



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**Irene Terry** <irene.terry@utah.edu>  
To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

Wed, Nov 16, 2016 at 8:17 PM

Dear PSC Commisioners

I am opposed to PacifiCorp-RMP's "Advice No. 16-13", filed Nov0, 2016, that would change the rate structure for rooftop solar customers. I implore the PSC to deny the utility's fast-track request and require it to use the normal rate-making process for its proposed changes. This is the correct due process.

There are many reasons to oppose allowing RMP to raise the costs for new rooftop solar customers with this fast tracked process.

1) Basic fairness and due process. RMP should have to go through the normal processes with ample time for public response, and must have to defend its position. Furthermore, an expedited vetting of the utility's proposed rate changes will not assure that this primary responsibility to the public has been served.

2) The science and data have not been provided thus far. We need proper research on the costs, and cost offsets such as health benefits from less pollutants using coal, not needing to build new coal fired power plants by reducing peak capacity needs, among other reasons. Because rooftop solar is consumed near its source —usually by non-solar next door neighbors-- the utility avoids transmission line energy losses and transformer wear and tear

3) It will tend to kill a growing industry in Utah that supplies jobs to over 3000 people that include engineers, electricians, accountants, etc.

I thank you for allowing public input, though the deadline should be extended. I respectfully request the PSC, in the interests of ratepayers and the Utah public, to reject PacifiCorp-RMP's current rate change request.

Regards,

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**Jensen Morgan** <quixoticminstrel@gmail.com>

Wed, Nov 16, 2016 at 8:26 PM

To: PSC@utah.gov

Please extend public comment period.

Do not pass RMP new proposal to the public service commission. Please do not harm the solar industry with this new proposal.



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**Roger Legare** <roger1941@comcast.net>

Wed, Nov 16, 2016 at 8:42 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

I would like to ask for an extension of the public comment period beyond November 22.



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**Rocky Mountain Power Net Metering Tariff. Docket No. 16-035-T14**

1 message

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**laurenhill09@gmail.com** <laurenhill09@gmail.com>

Wed, Nov 16, 2016 at 9:20 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

- > Dear Commissioners,
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- > Please do not approve the new Docket No. 16-035-T14 Net Metering tariff Rocky Mountain Power is trying to obtain approval on. It will without a doubt destroy solar in Utah. With our horrible air quality it makes no sense to eliminate solar as a practical option for consumers nor does it make any sense to give Rocky Mountain complete control over our power source like they have had for way too long. Rocky Mountain Power is a monopoly in our community that is guaranteed profit, is perpetuating an antiquated and expensive grid system, and sees the benefit of solar as long as it is theirs and they can continually charge rate payers to build their infrastructure. If it's good to have choice, that choice must be for the consumer, not a monopoly.
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- > Our government should be looking out for citizens and not monopoly corporations. Nevada citizens have pushed for deregulation due to the harsh tactics of their utility killing solar and we will do the same thing in Utah if our choices are yet again eliminated to 1 option that takes advantage of our pockets.
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- > Do the right thing, help us change our energy future.
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- > Lauren Rojas
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- > Sent from my iPhone





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**Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment**

1 message

**Nedda Hendler** <nedda.hendler@gmail.com>

Wed, Nov 16, 2016 at 9:35 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Commissioners,

I am opposed to PacifiCorp-RMP's "Advice No. 16-13", filed Nov 9, 2016, that would change the rate structure for rooftop solar customers. I urge the PSC to deny the utility's fast-track request and require it to use the normal rate-making process for its proposed changes.

RMP is trying to circumvent the normal rate-setting process, which includes opportunities for expert testimony, in-depth examination of evidence, and public hearings. Its proposal should be thoughtfully considered in the next general rate case, not in a hastily arranged substitute for normal procedure.

The utility wants to impose increased rooftop solar fees on a newly-created, experimental class of solar customers [those applying after Dec. 9], then see in June 2017 whether such fees were justified...essentially putting the cart before the horse.

The mission of the PSC is "to ensure safe, reliable, adequate, and reasonably priced utility service." An expedited vetting of the utility's proposed rate changes will not assure that this primary responsibility to the public has been served.

More rooftop solar means less carbon dioxide and particulate emissions from traditional power plants. Until now, the utility and traditional grid customers have passed the costs of climate change and respiratory illnesses to the general public.

The over 3,000 solar jobs in Utah would be put in jeopardy by RMP's move to halt the growth of non-utility [i.e. rooftop] solar. The utility prefers to concentrate Utah's future solar growth in limited-scale solar programs [e.g. Subscriber Solar] it can control. RMP would be pleased to keep solar energy at 1% of Utah's energy mix. That's no surprise. PacifiCorp's 20-year resource plan calls for reducing the percentage of renewables in the corporation-wide energy mix. This is not in the public interest. We absolutely need more renewables in the mix to ensure public health.

Thank you for accepting public input, though the deadline should be extended. I respectfully request that the PSC, in the interests of ratepayers and the Utah public, reject PacifiCorp-RMP's current rate change request.

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**Chris Ward** <zwiebelspaetzle@gmail.com>

Wed, Nov 16, 2016 at 9:55 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

In the midst of election news, the public needs more time to familiarize themselves with Rocky Mountain Power 's proposal. Please extend the comment deadline beyond November 22.

Chris Ward  
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**Rick Klass** <faklass@gmail.com>

Wed, Nov 16, 2016 at 9:57 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Please extend past November 22nd

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Sent from my iPad



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**Carleton DeTar** <detar@physics.utah.edu>

Wed, Nov 16, 2016 at 10:07 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Cc: Carleton DeTar &lt;detar@physics.utah.edu&gt;, Laurel Casjens &lt;lcasjens@gmail.com&gt;

Dear Commissioners,

As a Utah residents and homeowners with an installed photovoltaic solar array, we are writing to urge you to deny PacificCorp's request to cancel immediately net-metering and to require new PV customers to a pay according to a revised Schedule 135.

1. The company has chosen an expedited path to setting new rates without going through the more conventional public comment period including expert testimony. The issues here are too important and controversial to allow such an end run. On this ground alone, the request for expedited review and approval should be denied.
2. The company's avoided-cost calculations are based on expensive proprietary software models that are not available for public scrutiny and critique. The calculations must be reviewed by an independent body of experts. At the very least, the PSC should put off a decision until such an independent review can be made.
3. I strongly suspect that external economies have not been included in the cost/benefit accounting, but they must be, even if based only on well-founded estimates. Burning of fossil fuels degrades our air quality, and it is wreaking havoc around the world on wildlife, plants, and humans. Not to include these external costs is fraudulent accounting. I list some more external economic costs in 4 and 5 below.
4. The proposed change would make it too expensive to justify new installations. It would effectively shut down Utah's rapidly growing solar industry, resulting in the loss of several thousand Utah jobs. One has only to look at what happened to Nevada's solar industry when net metering was attacked there.
5. A warming climate is already hurting Utah's winter sports industry and will very likely kill it in the coming decades if we don't break world dependence on fossil fuels. The impact on Utah's economy will be devastating. Of all places, Utah should take the lead in this transformation of energy production.
6. We understand that our own net metering plan will be unaffected by the proposed change, but changing the rate structure for new customers as proposed is likely to set a precedent that will encourage PacificCorp to come after existing customers in the near future. "Divide and conquer" is a nefarious tactic.
7. Although this proposal is framed as a way to make the rate structure fairer to non-solar customers, I assert that the real driver of this proposal is that PacificCorp's profits are tied to power sales, and with reduced sales, company profits are decreasing. The whole industry has taken a position opposing residential solar power generation. This proposal is consistent with that position.
8. Home-generated solar power is a disruptive technology that is creating drastic changes in the power industry. The correct regulatory response to dealing with disruptive change is a disinterested and complete analysis of costs and benefits, coupled with an informed revision of regulatory legislation. The industry response should be not to stifle innovation, but to play along with it -- for example, by improving load balancing by replacing burners in coal-fired plants with new high-efficiency energy-storage technology and by modernizing our dangerously antiquated power grid. We would support rate changes that provide for a reduction in fossil-fuel burning.

Thank you for considering our remarks.

Sincerely,  
Carleton DeTar  
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**PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>**

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**Matthew Poppe** <drpoppe@gmail.com>

Wed, Nov 16, 2016 at 10:27 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Please don't allow Rocky Mountain Power to kill solar energy in UT. We are starting to improve air quality here in the state and this will be such a large step in the wrong direction. Solar energy is the future and employs over 3000 skilled workers here in the state.

I invested a large portion of our savings (>\$20,000) into our rooftop solar expecting a 10 year payback. I'm okay with this, as it was partly aimed at supporting the common good. The legislation proposed by RMP would triple the time it would take to recover my investment and I can't imagine anyone will sign up in the future.

Please don't let the BIG CORPORATION Win this battle.

thanks, Matt



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**Dave Focardi** <datawrangler81@gmail.com>

Wed, Nov 16, 2016 at 10:35 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

First off, you had better extend the public comment period. Nothing says "sneaky" like trying to rush through something like this that has ramifications for so many people.

Here are my chief objections to RMP's request to change rates for rooftop, net metered solar-

- 1) I put my 4000w system in based on the net metered agreement with RMP that I signed. I already thought it was biased in their favor in that I relinquish any excess power generated once a year. Essentially resetting the bank to zero in their favor. So, as a customer, I am not going to "cost" them any money, I can only save myself some electric bill money.
- 2) RMP changing that agreement should be illegal. I mean, what use is a contract? Why don't we just do whatever we want? THAT'S WHY WE SIGN CONTRACTS, SO WE KNOW WHAT WE ARE GETTING INTO!
- 3) I invested my money in this system, basically saving RMP the cost of putting in 4000w of solar, so RMP saying I am not bearing my share of infrastructure costs as a rooftop solar provider is wrong. Plus, I pay a monthly "Basic charge" and a "Minimum charge" as well as "home electric lifeline Program" charge and Utah sales tax as well. My bill is not zero, I installed infrastructure, the excess power I generate probably doesn't have to go too far to be used by my neighbors, so where is RMP's costs coming from?
- 4) Please study the true economic benefits of distributed rooftop solar. I hired a local guy (fully licensed contractor) to put in my system. He had anywhere from one to 5 people here with him installing that system. I think that means JOBS, which seems to be some sort of rallying cry favored by every politician to walk the face of this planet. I believe that no study in Utah has realistically factored that aspect into consideration.
- 5) Other economic benefits to be evaluated- doesn't Utah have an issue with air quality? It seems to me I hear something on the news about that on occasion. Perhaps that should be factored into the equation some how.
- 6) Extend the public comment period, do a REAL study of ALL the benefits and costs of rooftop solar. I mean, really, how can distributed rooftop solar be a bad thing? Keeping it viable for all is for the benefit of everyone in Utah.

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Dave Focardi

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**Docket Number: 16-035-T14**

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**B Panos** <bkpanos@gmail.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 8:21 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear PSC

It has come to my attention from an article that I read in the Deseret News that the Utility Commission is considering a proposal by Rocky Mountain Power to increase the rate on solar power generation. I think this is a terrible idea.

Although I do not have solar on my home presently, I have been considering installing it in the near future when my finances permit. For the last several decades, our society has seen the benefit of moving away from fossil fuels by encouraging the use of renewable resources such as wind, solar, and geothermal. And now that this goal is within reach, there is a proposal that will essentially kill the solar industry and reverse the progress that has taken decades to achieve. This proposal is not only ill-conceived and self-serving, it is counter to the goals that society has fostered for the benefit of all mankind. If approved, this proposal will not only be detrimental to the environment, it will also be harmful to our children and future generations.

I hope the Commission will see the harm this self-serving proposal by Rocky Mountain Power will cause if passed and reject it. I would also like to see RMP admonished not to bring such proposals before the Commission ever again.

Thank you for your consideration of my views.

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**Abraham Millet** <abe@luxenergygrp.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 8:34 AM

To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

The proposed changes by RMP at this point appear to be incredibly damaging the the efficiency movement in Utah. Please extend the period for public comment past Nov 22 as significant amounts of additional research are needed on this proposal.

Thank you,

**R. Abraham Millet**

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**Bruce Smithhammer** <bruce@cesolar.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 8:50 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to you to urge that Rocky Mountain Power's request for dramatic rate changes for net metered customers be expressly denied.

Net metered customers contribute a number of benefits to the electrical grid, and thus to all RMP customers - benefits which were clearly not considered by RMP in their study of costs. These rate changes are excessive, backward thinking and will kill thousands of jobs in one of the fastest-growing sectors in the state of Utah, just as RMP's sister company decimated the solar industry in the neighboring state of Nevada.

I also urge you to please extend the public comment period beyond Nov. 22nd - these are drastic change being proposed, which deserve a much more reasonable amount of time for consideration and comment than what RMP is pushing for.

Please do not allow the pro-monopoly, anti-consumer, anti-solar industry disaster that happened in Nevada be repeated in Utah.

sincerely,

- Bruce Smithhammer

**Bruce Smithhammer**

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## Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment

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Jonathan Upchurch &lt;upchurch@ecs.umass.edu&gt;

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 8:55 AM

To: "psc@utah.gov" &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

Dear Commissioners:

We are opposed to PacifiCorp-RMP's "Advice No. 16-13", filed Nov 9, 2016, that would change the rate structure for rooftop solar customers. Although we do not currently have rooftop solar, we believe that climate change makes it imperative to move from non-renewable to renewable sources of energy Rocky Mountain Power's request would be a step in the wrong direction because it would discourage further development of a renewable energy source.

Rocky Mountain Power's request deserves careful study. Pacific Corp's call to fast-track its request is unnecessary. The normal rate-making process and schedule would allow the attention that these proposed changes deserve. We urge the Public Service Commission to deny the fast-track request.

It is in Rocky Mountain Power's self-interest to selectively submit evidence to support its request and to ignore evidence that would not support its request. A normal schedule – rather than a fast-track schedule – will allow both the Public Service Commission and other parties to gather a more unbiased set of evidence upon which the PSC can evaluate and make a decision.

We have been seriously considering an investment in rooftop solar for the past five years. Every time we have "run the numbers" to determine whether rooftop solar is a good investment, we have concluded that the payback period would be about ten years. We have not yet invested in rooftop solar because we believe the payback period is a bit too long. We have been waiting for rooftop solar prices to decline further Rocky Mountain Power's request would increase the cost of rooftop solar energy and thus lead us to the decision to not invest in rooftop solar. There are undoubtedly many other Utah residents who look at a rooftop solar investment in the same way. In other words, Rocky Mountain Power's request, if adopted, would seriously dampen the growth of renewable energy

Other reasons we oppose Rocky Mountain Power's request are as follows.

- Rocky Mountain Power is trying to circumvent the normal rate-setting process, which includes opportunities for expert testimony, in-depth examination of evidence, and public hearings. Its proposal should be thoughtfully considered in the next general rate case, not in a hastily arranged substitute for normal procedure.
- The mission of the PSC is "to ensure safe, reliable, adequate, and reasonably priced utility service." An expedited vetting of the utility's proposed rate changes will not assure that this primary responsibility to the public is served.
- Rocky Mountain Power argues that solar customers are not paying their fair share of infrastructure costs, and that these costs are being shifted to non-solar customers. The cost shift is more likely in the other direction. The utility's cost-of-service model does not address all relevant costs.
- The utility continues to ignore rooftop solar's contributions to reducing its peak capacity requirements, which reduces the need for building more power plants and burning more fuel.
- Because rooftop solar is consumed near its source --usually by non-solar next door neighbors-- the utility avoids transmission line energy losses and transformer wear and tear.
- There are very significant external costs associated with non-renewable energy. These are the environmental, public health, and economic damages [costs] that are caused by fossil fuel combustion, but reduced by clean energy like solar.
- More rooftop solar means less carbon dioxide and particulate emissions from traditional power plants. Until now, the utility and traditional grid customers have passed the costs of climate change and respiratory illnesses to the general

public.

- Rooftop solar has become a major employer in Utah. Over 3,000 solar jobs in Utah would be put in jeopardy by RMP's move to halt the growth of rooftop solar.

We thank you for accepting public input and our concerns at this time. We believe the Public Service Commission should allow more time for Pacific Corp's request to be carefully considered and to allow for more public input. In the interest of ratepayers and the public, please deny PacifiCorp / Rocky Mountain Power's rate change request.

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**Bruce Washburn** <brucewashburn47@gmail.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 8:57 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Commissioners:

I am writing to the commission to voice my opposition to Advice No. 16-13, Rocky Mountain Power 's request to kill the rooftop solar power industry in Utah. This rate change should not be fast-tracked.

I have a 3Kw, 10 panel system on my home. This system has allowed me to generate more power that I use over the billing year. There must be lots of people like me who "donate" surplus kilowatt hours to Rocky Mountain Power in the March billing cycle. I understand that the proposed net metering agreements would not apply to me (for now).

If the rate 135A is approved, the minimum monthly bill will increase 250% for rooftop solar customer, but not other single phase residential customers. If the increase to the monthly charge is to cover "fixed costs," one wonders if the fixed costs of solar customers are greater than other customers? I don't think so.

A kilowatt hour is a kilowatt hour. We should be able to agree that if I give you a kilowatt hour now, when the sun is up, I should get one in return when the sun goes down. I don't buy the Rocky Mountain Power's graph that shows rooftop solar customers have higher peak demand at night than non-solar customers. I wonder how they selected the rooftop customers that were given the "smart" meters? I think most of us have switched or are in the process of switching to CFs or LEDs for lighting our homes. In my household, we didn't change our pattern of electricity consumption after we installed solar panels.

Rocky Mountain Power should look to the future. Battery technology is improving and is dropping in cost. They should be watching what is happening to landline phone service, as well as cable and satellite television services. They could keep their rooftop solar customers or drive them away.

Currently our state and federal governments encourage the installation of rooftop solar with generous tax credits. This tariff change, if adopted as requested, will kill the rooftop solar industry. Rooftop solar, solar farms, and wind farms are our best hope to clean up our air. Even in southern Utah our skies are increasingly hazy.

Please do not approve this rate increase. Having Rocky Mountain Power study the costs/benefits of rooftop solar is like asking the fox to guard the hen house! What answer did you expect?

Bruce Washburn

Cedar City, Utah



PublicService Commission &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

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**Phil Schneider** <phil@cesolar.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 9:02 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

Hello Public Service Commission,

I would like to submit a comment on the recent net metering change request by Rocky Mountain Power. I have worked in the solar industry for 11 years, and this proposal is the biggest road block for customer generation that I have heard of. It's imperative that the home or business owner maintain the ability to generate energy on their property in a cost effective manner. They should not be penalized for pursuing clean energy options for their own use, as well as contributing to clean power supply on the grid. I ask that you deny Rocky Mountain Power's change requests, and urge RMP to address the growing demand for solar energy through some other agreeable means.

Thank you for your consideration,  
Phil Schneider

Phil Schneider

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**DOCKET #16-035-T14 PUBLIC COMMENT**

1 message

**Ian Wade** <ianwade@adventuresafetyorg>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 9:08 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

Commissioners,

I was appalled to read of the rate change RMP is requesting. I installed 16 solar panels on our house in Sandy at a cost of \$12,000 after incentives. This investment should pay off in 7 or 8 years under the current rates. However it would increase my electricity costs if the new rates were adopted!

Solar power has many benefits: -

1. Cost saving for the householders or businesses that install rooftop solar
2. Less transmission costs for the utility as the power is consumed in the neighborhood
3. Greater resiliency in the event of outages
4. Cleaner air in our frequently polluted valley
5. Better health for all of us, particularly children and elderly, due to less pollution
6. More favorable perception of Utah as a place to do business, due to less air pollution
7. Jobs for Utah business installing and maintaining solar panels
8. Reduced costs for RMP of complying with EPA rulings on the two coal-fired generating plants and fighting legislation related to the plants

Given the scope and complexity of issues involved the public comment period should be extended beyond November 22<sup>nd</sup>. This looks like an attempt to push through unfavorable rules before the public has had a chance to understand and comment.

Sincerely,

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**Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment**

1 message

**Morris, Carol** <CMorris@wescodist.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 9:30 AM

To: "PSC@UTAH.GOV" &lt;PSC@utah.gov&gt;

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing you to express my concerns regarding Docket #16-035-T14 which would change the rate structure for rooftop solar customers. My stance is I strongly oppose such a regressive and detrimental proposition. I strongly urge the PSC to deny Rocky Mountain Power's fast-track request.

My family recently moved here and we chose a home that had solar panels because we want to protect our valuable resources. Power generation that does not involve polluting our environment or using non-renewable resources is what our entire nation should be working towards. I have been told about the inversions that happen here in the winter and how bad the pollution can get, taking away the incentives for solar power will only increase that pollution. The solar industry has created many jobs in this state including mine. If RMC is able to put this rate structure in place the solar industry in Utah would be crushed and thousands of people will lose their jobs. I have been very proud to say I live in a state that protects its natural resources and beauty.

The PSC needs to ask themselves these questions, if RMP is successful in increasing the rate, will RMP in turn be able to provide enough jobs to offset the thousands of unemployed workers? The answer is no. The rate increase will do very little to the job market. If the rate increase kills the solar industry, what good does that do to our environment? Should someone driving a hybrid subsidize someone driving a gas guzzler?

The entire solar and electrical industry in the state of Utah had a jaw-dropping reaction to the effects of a similar proposition which Pacific Corp passed in Nevada. The results spelled out complete dissolve of the solar industry in the state of Nevada resulting in the loss of thousands of jobs and millions of dollars in revenue. I am urging the PSC to not make the same mistake and fight for the thousands of jobs in the Utah economy rather than support the corporate greed of RMP. Simply put, we cannot afford to move backwards.

RMP's reason for a "fast-track" proposition is simple. They are hoping to avoid a mass of public response by pushing the proposition through on a fast-track because they know the vast majority of the public is/will be against them. Essentially, it is their way of avoiding public input and limiting the number of people who will speak out against their proposition. Due to this, I urge PSC to extend the deadline to allow time for more public opinion.

I thank the Commissioners for accepting my input. I respectfully request for the PSC, in the interest of the ratepayers and the Utah public, to reject RMP's current rate change request. Do what is right for our children, grandchildren, economy and environment and protect our right to renewable energy



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**Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment**

1 message

**Matthew Severini** <matthew.severini@gmail.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 10:03 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Commissioners,

I strongly oppose PacifiCorp-RMP's "Advice No. 16-13", filed Nov. 9, 2016, that would change the rate structure for rooftop solar customers. I urge the PSC to deny the utility's fast-track request and require it to use the normal rate-making process for its proposed changes.

I am against this proposal. First the PSC is the only mechanism for consumer protection in a state granted monopoly. If rate changes are fast tracked through the psc the good of the consumer can not be considered in the process. Second, the proposed rates are again entirely inconsistent with the costs that rocky mountain power incurs. Solar generation of fsets RMP's need to generate peak load, so charging solar customers for peak power use is penalizing them for the same problem they are helping to solve. Furthermore, solar customers use the bulk of their power at night when power is extremely cheap or even costs rmp money to dissipate. Charging them more for utilization is clearly contrary to the economies at hand. There are proposals that would make sense: for example, separate rate structure for distribution and generation, and spread distribution charges evenly among customers. Charge time of day metering so that solar peak power will better align with peak power need.

Thank you for accepting public input. I r espectfully request the PSC, in the interests of ratepayers and the Utah public, to reject PacifiCorp-RMP's current rate change request.

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**Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment**

1 message

**Scott Cramer** <scramer@gosolargroup.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 10:21 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to inform you that I am opposed to PacifiCorp-RMP's "Advice No. 16-13. This would change the rate structure for solar customers and I am asking you to suspend this tariff and not allow it to take effect next month. I would suggest they follow the normal process to review rate cases.

Utah is home. My parents moved here in 1984, the year I was born, and I have lived here ever since. I opened a solar business in 2011, and currently employ 37 people in our company. If we are not able to give proper information to our customers, and expect them to "trust" us, we will have to re-evaluate our business and possibly close down.

I realize there is a "cost" that is not being captured by solar customers, but this rate schedule request is over the top and will nearly eliminate any benefit for going solar.

Other states have had similar proposals, and the outcome has not been good for business. There have also been other studies and analysis of the cost "benefit" of solar customers, and the distributed generation that exists.

Please reject their current proposal and require a complete review of the costs and benefits of solar customers.

Thank you!

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**Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment**

1 message

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**Matthew Peterson** <mlpp2000@gmail.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 10:33 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear PSC-

Distributed solar is one of the best immediate things we can do to address Utah's poisonous air crisis- frequently surveyed to be Utah's most pressing concern. The people of the state agree, clean air is a priority, and an economic necessity.

RMP is a utility and exists to serve the needs of the people of this state. Their current proposal would put a severe damper on rooftop solar and set back the cause of clean air in the state severely. And why? To preserve a polluting outmoded generation model and maximize company profits.

The duty of the public service commission is to safeguard the people's interests - which clearly lie with incentivizing and expanding solar generation - not curtailing it. Please let RMP start paying the true full cost of the pollution their outdated plants rain down on the people of Utah. For the public health costs alone, SOLAR is a no-brainer. The science on the public cost of air pollution is unambiguous - every extra ton of coal burning costs Utah lives and dollars, not to mention quality of life. Please do the right thing, for our future and our children's future, stop this backward-facing attempt to make a few extra dollars from 19th-century technology-

Thank you-

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**Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment**

1 message

**Carl York** <carljyork@gmail.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 10:35 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

I am have a solar array on my house and my power bill would not be affected by this bill. However, I did not do it to save money, I put solar on my house to power an electric car , which is the answer to better air in our city . If more people put solar on their houses and drive electric cars, our air would begin to improve dramatically. It is one of the most effective things you can do to help our immediate environment. And as a parent of 3 beautiful kids, I care about our air!!! Please grant extension of the public comment period beyond November 22 It will give the public time to react to this proposed bill.

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**Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment**

1 message

**Amy Sibul** <sibulfam@comcast.net>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 11:06 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

Please add my name to the growing list of Rocky Mountain Power customers who are very frustrated with RMP's plan to significantly increase the monthly expenses for residents installing solar panels. We must send a clear message to the company that clean, sustainable power needs to be supported and promoted, not deterred.

Thank you for your consideration-

Amy Sibul

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**Nancy Farrar Halden** <nfhalden@gmail.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 11:35 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

Commissioners,

Many good people of the Salt Lake Valley have dug deep into their pocketbooks to install rooftop solar because it's the right thing to do.

- 1) It creates new jobs and a new industry at a time when we badly need that
- 2) It contributes to cleaner air when the valley is frequently polluted and residents suffer health hazards as a result
- 3) Cleaner air in turn improves Utah's image to prospective businesses
- 4) It saves money for the homeowners and businesses that install solar
- 5) It saves on transmission costs since most of the power is consumed on the spot
- 6) It provides a safeguard in the case of power outages

Let's face it, the timing of this announcement on Election Day with a short comment period ending before Thanksgiving just plain smells!

Do the right thing.

Extend the comment period for at least 2 weeks beyond Nov 22 to allow the people time to speak on this issue.

Do the right thing.

Consider the many individuals who have already invested a lot of money in solar and should not be punished with higher rates for choosing a renewable resource out of their own pockets.

Do the right thing.

Utah is last in the West in the development of renewable energy. This is not the moment for poor planning and shortsightedness. We should avail ourselves of every renewable source at our disposals, and RMP needs to come to the table with its customers who choose self-sufficient energy. Caving into them will not help them move forward.

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## Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment

1 message

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**Peggy Hackney** <pjhackney@gmail.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 11:38 AM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Commissioners,

I am totally opposed to PacifiCorp-RMP's "Advice No. 16-13", filed Nov. 9, 2016, that would change the rate structure for rooftop solar customers. Urge the PSC to deny the utility's fast-track request and require it to use the normal rate-making process for its proposed changes.

The key reason I feel RMP should not be allowed to raise the costs for new rooftop solar customers is that our entire country needs to move forward with solar energy not hold it back!! This proposal is regressive and does not serve the people of Utah. Our state, and particularly our area, have sun freely available for most of the year We should be using it to meet our electric needs!

Thank you for accepting public input, however the period for input should be extended. I respectfully request the PSC, in the interests of ratepayers and the Utah public, to reject PacifiCorp-RMP's current rate change request!!

Sincerely,  
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**Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment**

1 message

**Winward, Douglas** <DWinward@wescodist.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 1:50 PM

To: "psc@utah.gov" &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

Cc: "Winward, Douglas" &lt;DWinward@wescodist.com&gt;

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing you to express my concerns regarding Docket #16-035-T14 which would change the rate structure for rooftop solar customers. My stance is I strongly oppose such a regressive and detrimental proposition. I strongly urge the PSC to deny Rocky Mountain Power's fast-track request.

The key reasons as to why I urge the PSC to deny RMP's request is simple: It will kill the solar industry in Utah and put thousands of people out of work due to the detrimental effect the rate changes would have on the ROI (return on investment) for the average homeowner. These proposed rate changes are an act of regression and would drive renewable energy backwards instead of forward. Our economy is thriving due to solar. Electrical contractors, distributors, solar installers and engineer firms all across the state have hired thousands of employees to accommodate for the growth of solar in the Utah market resulting in millions of dollars in revenue. If the rates are increased and damage is done to the ROI then customers will have no incentive to buy solar which would ultimately kill the solar market and destroy thousands of jobs and millions of dollars in revenue. My job and the jobs of my co-workers is at stake along with the other several thousand people employed in the solar market. Not to mention the immensely negative environmental impact that we would suffer if we don't move forward with renewable energy. We need to set the example for the future of our environment.

The PSC needs to ask themselves these questions, if RMP is successful in increasing the rate, will RMP in turn be able to provide enough jobs to offset the thousands of unemployed workers? The answer is no. The rate increase will do very little to the job market. If the rate increase kills the solar industry, what good does that do to our environment?

The entire solar and electrical industry in the state of Utah had a jaw-dropping reaction to the effects of a similar proposition which Pacific Corp passed in Nevada. The results spelled out complete dissolve of the solar industry in the state of Nevada resulting in the loss of thousands of jobs and millions of dollars in revenue. I am urging the PSC to not make the same mistake and fight for the thousands of jobs in the Utah economy rather than support the corporate greed of RMP. Simply put, we cannot afford to move backwards.

RMP's reason for a "fast-track" proposition is simple. They are hoping to avoid a mass of public response by pushing the proposition through on a fast-track because they know the vast majority of the public is/will be against them. Essentially, it is their way of avoiding public input and limiting the number of people who will speak out against their proposition. Due to this, I urge PSC to extend the deadline to allow time for more public opinion.

I thank the Commissioners for accepting my input. I respectfully request for the PSC, in the interest of the ratepayers and the Utah public, to reject RMP's current rate change request. Please do what is right for our children, grandchildren, economy and environment and protect our right to renewable energy.

Respectfully,

Doug Winward



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**Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment**

1 message

**Debra Anderson** <danderson@dadesigninc.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 2:33 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Public Service Commission,

Charging those who are making an investment in renewable energy is ludicrous! RMP is greedy beyond words. Excess power produced by the solar panels is given back to RMP who then can turn around and sell this for a profit. This is what is referred to as 'double dipping' and should not be allowed. RMP should be encouraging the use of alternative sustainable energy options, not discouraging this important direction!

Please extend the deadline for public comment to beyond November 22, 2016.

Sincerely,

Debra J Anderson



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**Docket #16-035-T14**

1 message

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**Miller, Thomas** <TMiller@wescodist.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 2:54 PM

To: "psc@utah.gov" &lt;psc@utah.gov&gt;

Dear Commissioners,

Please do not approve the new Docket No. 16-035-T14 which would change the rate structure for solar rooftop customers. Further, I urge the PSC to deny RMP fast track request and require it to use the normal rate-making process for its proposed changes.

Approving this will without a doubt destroy solar in Utah and put thousands of people out of work. In addition, this will greatly impact our environment if we don't move forward with renewable energy (horrible air quality), the ROI will not be legitimate to the average homeowner, and electrical contractors, distributors, solar installers have hired an enormous amount of people to support the growth of Solar in Utah which results in large amounts of revenue.

I thank the commissioner for accepting my input. Though I strongly feel the deadline should be extended in order to make more people aware of this issue. I respectfully request for the PSC, in the interest of ratepayers and the Utah public, to reject RMP's current rate change request.

Thank you,

**Tom Miller**

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**Docket #16-035-T14 Public Comment**

1 message

**Kelly Curtis** <kelly@solarooenergy.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 3:02 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear PSC,

First of all, thank you for all you do. Many of us feel like you are the only thing standing in the way of RMP , and the only power fighting for the people.

Second of all, I know you have heard all the save solar talk. But frankly, my plea is simply this: Don't act yet. All we have is a study done by RMP, and we've known their intentions all along. We need to have a study done by the Solar Association, and then we should have a study done by an independent source as other states have done. This is too critical just to decide based on the face value of their numbers.

RMP wants a hasty decision, because they know given enough time for all the stakeholders to study the issue, it will turn out differently for them. Please make sure this gets postponed so more accurate data can be given.

RMP's survival doesn't depend on the PSC approving this filing, but the Utah solar industry's future just might.

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**Kelly Curtis**  
**Director of Operations**



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1 message

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**Natalie Buttars** <natbuttars@gmail.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 3:22 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Public Service Commission,

I am writing to express my deepest opposition to the proposed fees and rate increases/changes that Rocky Mountain Power has requested.

The restrictions and additional fees they want to place on solar customers are very blatantly skewed. The numbers they are referencing seem to have such an obvious political spin, you'd think their entire argument was penned by Hillary Clinton.

These proposed changes seem like they would completely shut down the residential solar industry in the good State of Utah. While it saddens me to see that those in charge at Rocky Mountain Power very clearly do not care about advancing green energy options and saving the environment, it is even more disturbing to see such greed-filled motivations. It is so embarrassingly apparent that they are concerned only with their bottom line, and clearly only looking out for themselves. They have no concern for the environment whatsoever

I absolutely understand a monthly fee for solar customers to help with the cost of being connected to the grid. But I think \$9/month is plenty fair. That's \$108/year per solar household. If they think that is not enough to cover the "strain" that solar customers place on the grid, then they need to re-evaluate their budget. Perhaps instead of increasing fees and rates, they should look at trimming the salaries of the executives who are requesting these increases.

Sincerely,

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**Docket 16-035-T14 Public Comment**

1 message

**Cramer, Janet** <janet.cramer@nemoves.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 3:26 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Cc: Janet-work &lt;janet.cramer@nemoves.com&gt;

Commissioners,

I support the effort to fairly balance the costs of traditional power and solar power

Solar power subsidies were appropriate initially (when the development of solar was in its infancy), but now it has become expected that the solar industry gets favorite energy status. New rooftop customers should be expecting that the basic price of solar will be subsidized less and less every year. If it makes great financial sense or it is a cause that individuals want to support, great. It might cost more in the short term, but if a customer wants solar they can pay for it. If they can balance the grid totally, great. If not, they need to pay for the grid costs, service charges, and associated costs. It escapes me why I should support someone else's "cause." OK initially -- but it has been quite a long time coming, and without the subsidies, most of my neighbors would not have installed their panels

Thanks for taking inputs. Put me in the column of "OK with me to change the rates for new solar panel customers."

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1 message

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**juergen@solarreadysolutions.solar** <juergen@solarreadysolutions.solar>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 3:40 PM

Reply-To: juergen@solarreadysolutions.solar

To: PSC@utah.gov

Good day,

my name Juergen Mueller and I work in the solar industry as a operation manager .

With this job I provide for my family.

If Rocky Mountain Power really change their pricing for Solar PV customers I will loose my job.

Does the State of Utah really wanna be responsible for the fact that thousands of people will loose their jobs.

How can this be the goal for any government?

This is a turn in a wrong direction.

Is Americas unemployment level not high enough yet?

What happened to

"Make America strong again"

Please stop this crazy idea of a Power Company .

Thank you,

Juergen Mueller



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**Docket #16-035-T14**

1 message

**Danielle T rujillo** <danielletrujillosrs@gmail.com>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 3:43 PM

Reply-To: danielletrujillosrs@gmail.com

To: PSC@utah.gov

To whom it may concern,

My name is Danielle Trujillo and I work for Solar Ready Solutions. We cannot let Rocky Mountain Power change the rate proposal because it will kill the solar industry in Utah. This will make all of the solar industries run out of Utah causing many Utah residents to lose their jobs, including mine. I am a young mother and a student at Weber State University. I am completely passionate about renewable energy and my job as Customer Service Representative! I plan to stay at this job for the rest of my life because I am completely obsessed with what I do. I love helping customer's save money on their power bill and I especially love reducing the coal consumption so we can save our Earth. If we let Rocky Mountain Power's proposal rate happen then this will increase coal use again which we need to stray away from! I cannot stress this enough about how we need to save our solar jobs, reduce the consumption of fossil fuel, and keep Utah residents happy by lowering their power bill. I will be sharing this on all of my social media accounts along with telling everyone in my contacts list in efforts to show you that there is a great amount of people that this proposal approval will hurt. Please Please do not approve the proposal!! SAVE MY JOB!!

Thank you,

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**Docket #16-035-T14**

1 message

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**Chris Meyer** <chris@restoresolar.net>  
To: "PSC@utah.gov" <PSC@utah.gov>

Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 4:10 PM

Dear PSC,

I am a Senior Project Manager for Restore Solar and Electric. I help manage the day to day operations of our installers, electricians, and designers. Just a few days ago on November 9, Rocky Mountain Power filed a request before the Public Service Commission to increase rates on rooftop systems.

Allowing any bills of this sort would personally affect me and 10 of the most hard working dedicated employees that work for me along with the dozens of solar professionals I have got to know and work with over the past two years.

Our original operation was setup in Nevada which was devastated, literally overnight, by the same type of bill Rocky Mountain Power is trying to pass here. Solar customers were upset and many people lost their jobs. We fought hard to come back and setup our operation here in Utah and want this up and coming industry to stay alive.

Thank you,

**CHRIS MEYER - SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER – RESTORE SOLAR AND ELECTRIC**801-418-9389(o) | 316-371-7797(m) | [chris@restoresolar.net](mailto:chris@restoresolar.net)