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## solar power

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

Greetings,

I am writing in regards to solar power. We had solar panels installed on our house and our garage a couple of years ago and have loved it. In our situation we over produce power. I have noticed several electric companies in Utah will refund the amount of overage their customer's solar panels over produce, while Rocky Mountain does not. Rocky Mountain treats the over production of power like they produced it and own it, while it is the solar panel owners who paid for the solar panels, paid to install them and pay to maintain them. Rocky Mountain says they donate the over production of power to the poor who cannot afford their power bills. This sounds noble and charitable on their part but it is self serving. Rocky Mountain uses other's and our over production to make sure they still get paid by subsidizing our over production for those ho do not pay their bills. It is a win for Rocky Mountain and a win for those who do not pay and a loss on the people who have paid and take the risks of more costs (upkeep) for their solar panels they installed and they own.

We would like to have this system changed as we who have solar should own the energy production from the panels we own. This is not Rocky Mountain's electricity, they did not pay for it's production, we, the solar panel owners did. Rocky Mountain does not take any risks of the costs of repair and replacement, we, the solar panel owners take all the risks and costs. We should be reimbursed for any over production at a fair market price for any electricity we over produce.

We are not opposed to gifting the power to those who truly cannot pay but at the very least, if we cannot be paid for the over production, we should be allowed to gift this power to someone of our choosing who we feel could benefit from this gift. We personally know several families we could gift our extra power to who have financial difficulties. We have asked Rocky Mountain in the past to do this, but they have said it is not our choice. This is unsatisfactory as we don't really know who is receiving this power and if they are really in need or just not paying their electric bill. We say it is our electricity it should be our choice, if we cannot be reimbursed for the overage.

Thanks for your consideration,

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