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Comment on Docket No. 17-035-61

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Tue, Sep 15, 2020 at 6:14 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

I really don't think this is the time to jeopardize the solar industry or its customers with changes in export rates. While I'm sure it's a complex issue, isn't it cheaper for Rocky Mountain Power to purchase excess energy from solar customers than from coal and gas companies? And I'm not just talking about dollar amounts here. The costs go beyond dollars in the bank.

I hope the Commission will look closely at some of the other studies too before approving RMP's proposal. Buying energy from clean sources, especially local sources provides savings societally - perhaps indirectly and hard to measure, but benefits just the same through better health of humans and the environment.

Plus, many are working in the solar industry, and many, including myself, would love to install solar panels and need incentives to do so still because the costs are still too high for many in the middle or low economic income categories. We need to keep competition alive as well as allow diverse industries and peoples to thrive.

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I have solar and I know the initial investment is not cheap. A credit rate reduction will discourage people from getting solar. We all know this. We should also realize that solar can help reduce our air pollution and Salt Lake City has a terrible problem with air pollution

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Comment on Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

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Wed, Sep 16, 2020 at 7:23 AM

Dear Commissioners,

As a Utah resident and homeowner of a solar powered home I am writing to ask you to reject Rocky Mountain Power's proposed solar export credit rate (Docket No. 17-035-61).

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Wed, Sep 16, 2020 at 9:04 AM

Dear Commissioners,

As a Utah resident, I am writing to ask you to reject Rocky Mountain Power's proposed solar export credit rate (Docket No. 17-035-61).

Not only is this the right thing to do for Utah's air quality today, but it is the right thing to do for our future and our children's future.

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Wed, Sep 16, 2020 at 9:44 AM

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Wed, Sep 16, 2020 at 10:27 AM

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Wed, Sep 16, 2020 at 11:37 AM

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Wed, Sep 16, 2020 at 12:31 PM

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1 message

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Wed, Sep 16, 2020 at 4:30 PM

Please oppose Rocky Mountain Power's proposed solar rate changes. I have been saving up planning to add solar panels to my roof, but if the proposed rate change goes into effect, I would not be able to recuperate my investment. I also have family members, friends, and neighbors who already have already invested in solar and would be negatively impacted by this change. We need to be encouraging people to adopt solar in order to help clean our polluted air and mitigate the warming of our climate not to mention the potential job growth of incentivizing solar here in Utah. I urge you to side with the people and the community over the Rocky Mountain Power's corporate interests.

Thank you,

Jack Rasmuson



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Wed, Sep 16, 2020 at 4:34 PM

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Dear Friends,

I write to encourage you to not approve Rocky Mountain Power's request to lower the amount paid to solar customers for the use of the electricity generated by their solar panels at 1.5 cents per kilowatt hour. Rooftop solar has significant potential to reduce both the greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution of Rocky Mountain Power's electrical generation. These future benefits are difficult to quantify, but we can anticipate that there will be fewer solar panels installed on homes if the rate paid to customers for electrical power is significantly less than the rate paid to RMP for comparable power. Fewer solar panels means more Greenhouse Gas Emissions and more pollution. Let's do the right thing and encourage the growth of private solar generation.

I note that I do have solar panels on my home and do provide the net electricity generated to Rocky Mountain Power. I also own an electric car and have air conditioning. I pay RMP an additional surcharge each month to support their Blue Sky programs. I want to see the air cleaned up and Utah lowering its CO2 emissions. The RMP request in this docket is a step backwards.

Alice Steiner
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