

## Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Eleanor Thompson <eleanor@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: eleanor@eleanorthompson.com To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 5:16 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

As per all my earlier emails to you re DOCKET No. 17-035-61, people who work in the Utah Solar Sector as I do need to be given some kind of reassurance that our jobs will still be there after 1.1.2021.

Right now Utah is starting on its 2nd Wave of COVID19 and the flu season of N Utah, here along the Wasatch Front and Wasatch Back, has not really started. Certain counties, especially Utah County, are seeing new COVID19 Positive cases spike, higher numbers then in July 2020:

Gov. Herbert: Thursday brings record high 1,198 new coronavirus cases to Utah https://www.sltrib.com/news/2020/09/24/gov-herbert-thursday/

"...With the new record high number of new coronavirus cases reported on Thursday, Utah's rate of new diagnoses continued to skyrocket, along with hospitalizations.

For the past seven days, Utah has averaged 916 new positive test results per day — up from Wednesday's average of 876 and far exceeding July's top week-long average of 671 new daily cases, the Utah Department of Health reported Thursday...

Utah County tallied another 568 cases Thursday — 47% of the state's Thursday total, even though Utah County has about 20% of the state's population...

The rate of tests with positive results was at 14.2% on Thursday, tying Wednesday's record high. a record high. State epidemiologist Dr. Angela Dunn has said the higher the percent of positive tests becomes, the likelier it is that a growing number of infected patients are going untested. She has said a 3% positivity rate would indicate the virus is under control..."

As such, before a COVID19 vaccine is widely available sometime next summer, many Utah jobs will be lost.

Please do not add an extra burden on the UTAH Solar Sector by allowing RMP to lower their solar power exchange rate to Solar Homeowners for their exported power..... by 86%. That will discourage everyone / anyone who is not part of Utah's 4% in wealth from adding Solar to their homes, even if they really want to. And as you have seen from all the emails filed on this Docket, many people wrote to all of you reporting that they did not yet have solar systems on their homes.

Kind regards, Eleanor

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# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

JOSEPH SENUS < JOE.SENUS@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: JOE.SENUS@sficorp.com To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 5:26 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Families and businesses that invest in solar deserve fair compensation for the valuable energy they send back to the electric grid. Rooftop solar customers can provide 15 times the value to the electric grid than what Rocky Mountain Power proposes. RMP's proposal could cut the energy compensation for new solar owners by 84%.

For Utah to move forward on the path to renewable energy for all and a strong clean economy, it's important to protect our customer rights by ensuring solar owners are fairly compensated for the energy they contribute

Sincerely, JOSEPH SENUS 1895 E 6925 N Eden, UT 84310-6778 JOE.SENUS@SFICORP.COM



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Rex Jensen <rexlj78@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: rexlj78@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 5:28 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

[Your letter here] Anything that can be done to improve air quality in Utah is a good thing. I support solar panels and electric cars.

Rex L Jensen

Sincerely, Rex Jensen 1131 E 780 N Layton, UT 84040-3432 rexlj78@gmail.com



# Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Pauline Hanson <pollycarolhanson@gmail.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 5:33 PM

My name is Pauline Hanson.

I am opposed to Rocky Mountain Power's proposal to reduce the Utah solar export credit rate by 84%, from 9.2 cents to 1.5 cents per kilowatt-hour.

This would make rooftop solar much more expensive for homeowners like me.

It would also hinder efforts for cleaner air, grid resiliency, and a homeowner's path to self-reliance.

Its impact would be to stop Utah's solar future dead in its tracks, a future in which Utah has already invested heavily.

Please don't throw that away!



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1 message

Tyler Tolley <thattolleyguy@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: thattolleyguy@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 5:38 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

I understand the need to find a business but Rocky Mountain Power is taking advantage of those using solar power. People have paid the cost of installing these systems and Rocky Mountain Power reaps the benefit of selling their power to other customers. They should not be allowed to change the credit amount for solar generation while they're making the same amount or more from the power being generated.

Sincerely, Tyler Tolley 586 N Echo Way Saratoga Springs, UT 84045-4803 thattolleyguy@gmail.com



## Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Eleanor Thompson <eleanor@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: eleanor@eleanorthompson.com To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 5:37 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

As per my recent email on Docket 17-035-61, the Utah economy, even during COVID19, is always on Gov Herbert's mind.

This recent article in the SL TRIB explains:

As Utah's COVID-19 cases spike, Gov. Gary Herbert praises the state's economic response https://www.sltrib.com/news/politics/2020/09/24/gov-herbert-expected/

Although Gov Herbert did not mention the Utah Solar Sector, he would be horrified if he knew that the UT PSC Commissions could cause the loss of 7,000 current Utah Jobs just by allowing RMP to reduce their Net Metering rate by 86%, which is what RMP has asked for.

Please do your part in saving 7,000 Utah Solar jobs by leaving RMP's NM rate exactly as it is this year. And extend the years it will remain at that rate to 5 more years.

Thank you for your deep consideration of this matter.

Kind regards, Eleanor

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Sincerely, **Eleanor Thompson** 5405 S 550 E Ogden, UT 84405-4771 eleanor@eleanorthompson.com



# "Docket No. 17-035-61"

1 message

Hilary Verson <versongirls@gmail.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 5:39 PM

Please do not allow Pacificorp/Rocky Mountain Power to reduce reimbursement for solar power sold to "the Grid" by customers. We are trying to reduce global warming. Apparently Rocky Mountain Power did not get the message that we may all die if we don't stop carbon emissions. Don't put their profit above the health of the world.

Hilary Verson, RN, MS, FNP-1166 E 1st Avenue Salt Lake City, UT 84103



## Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Leah Hunt <huntdl2@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: huntdl2@comcast.net To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 5:58 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Climate change is happening now and in the future it will intensify. We must change now! Think about the world that your family will inherit. We must move to a carbon neutral energy supply now. Several tipping points and feedback loops in our environment have been activated all ready. This will require that we invest in systems that remove carbon from the atmosphere. Science has confirmed that climate change will impact every area of our lives. It will affect the food we can grow, the availability of water, the temperatures we have to adapt to, and the carrying capacity of our environments. Utah's droughts will intensify, the snowfall in the winter will diminish, the temperatures will increase. These are the changes that will impact your family in the future, but there will be many more. Climate change is not a political issue it is a human issue. Utility companies have had it good for the past century. It is only fair that they pay for as much carbon free energy as they can access. If they want to play a part in the future, now is the time for them to step up and prove it!

Families and businesses that invest in solar deserve fair compensation for the valuable energy they send back to the electric grid.

Rooftop solar customers can provide 15 times the value to the electric grid than what Rocky Mountain Power proposes. RMP's proposal could cut the energy compensation for new solar owners by 84%.

RMP's proposal for compensating solar energy could put Utah's 7,000 local solar jobs at risk.

For Utah to move forward on the path to renewable energy for all and a strong clean economy, it's important to protect our customer rights by ensuring solar owners are fairly compensated for the energy they contribute.

Sincerely, Leah Hunt 739 N 1200 E Mapleton, UT 84664-5639 huntdl2@comcast.net



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

David Suisse <davidcsuisse@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: davidcsuisse@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 6:00 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

I installed solar panels at my residence in 2019. I did so because I felt that was a way to do my part in promoting clean energy. While the payback takes many years, I felt it was worth the investment. The proposed reduction in payback from RMP will remove all incentive for homeowners and businesses to install solar panels. Please reject the proposal by RMP.

Thank you.

Sincerely, **David Suisse** 135 W 300 N Hyde Park, UT 84318-4037 davidcsuisse@gmail.com



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

DeLoy Johnson <delrod2@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: delrod2@comcast.net To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 6:04 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

[As a Senior Citicen and 3 x Veteran, I chose Solar to reduce the amount I was spending on electricity. With the cost of living rising every year, and Property Tax increasing every year. I need the pay back to balance out the increase that is measured against me.

Every time I turn around government is stealing one of my benefits. If this continues you will be forcing many of us that

signed of for this Solar incentive program, to lose our homes. ]

Sincerely, DeLoy F. Johnson

Sincerely, DeLoy Johnson 1719 E 1400 N Logan, UT 84341-2925 delrod2@comcast.net



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Jason Morgan <jsmorgan76@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: jsmorgan76@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 6:22 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

RMP buying back excess energy from solar customers is a far more viable (and maintenance free) option than keeping coal fired plants up and running! How does this not make sense?

Sincerely, Jason Morgan 1024 E Serpentine Way Sandy, UT 84094-4635 jsmorgan76@gmail.com



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Aimee Olsen <aimee\_sherwood\_olsen@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: aimee\_sherwood\_olsen@hotmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 6:39 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Utah already shorts individuals with solar. In other states people actually get financial compensation and not just credits. Please choose clean energy and the future of utah!

Sincerely, Aimee Olsen 4817 W Jonathon Rd Highland, UT 84003-9449 aimee sherwood olsen@hotmail.com



## Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

Miranda Menzies <menzies.miranda@gmail.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 6:52 PM

Dear Commissioners,

Firstly, thank you for your service to the public in listening to all the complexities of these filings, and providing your wisdom in resolving them.

This docket began back in 2016-2017. I would suggest to you that much has changed in the three years since then. The true weight and cost of gradual changes in our climate has begun to be clearer, particularly the massive costs in terms of fighting wildfires. These are made so much more frequent and intense by the drier conditions and higher temperatures. In turn, smoke from those forest fires is causing health impacts throughout the mountain west. One fire in our valley incurred over \$1m in cost in the first day alone - and our Weber Fire District property tax line item has gone up by x2.

In U.S. south and east, similar costs are being incurred to deal with the frequency and intensity of flooding, both because of sea level rise and tropical storms and hurricanes. 2020 was only the second time that the number of named storms went beyond the Roman alphabet of names, requiring Greek letter identities of storms. Flooding, particularly from extreme rainfall is again wreaking havoc on the lives and economies of the coastal states with costs in the \$billions.

So it has become clear that "decarbonizing" the economy is going to be necessary. Utah is superbly well placed for this. We have plentiful sunshine, and steady winds in many places. These will enable us to move on from the current fossil fuel economy. In order to do that we need to diversify energy sources and support both small and large businesses as they adapt to the changes.

Rooftop solar has brought thousands of well-paying jobs to the Wasatch Front. These small businesses install and maintain the equipment on homes and businesses. A whole new generation of wind-turbine technicians is being trained in community colleges. Construction jobs will be generated by stronger building codes that will improve energy conservation in both new and existing buildings. We have a solar equipped LEED certified house which took approximately 5-10% additional labor cost to achieve our close to Net Zero standard, balanced by our rooftop solar.

The filings from Rocky Mountain Power completely ignore the "externalities" such as those health effects and local jobs that support families. They also ignore the high capital cost of building additional generating infrastructure, needed to replace and augment the aging coal power plants as they are retired. I believe they understate the advantages of rooftop solar in powering our neighborhood and avoiding distribution losses. Equally, there needs to be consideration of the additional costs (0.01cent to 0.03 Cents/kWh - RMP filing) that come from the need to integrate rooftop solar into the grid.

We need to keep the economic growth and jobs driven by the gradual switch to solar, other renewables and storage. In order to do that, the current tariffs for solar credit with net metering at the retail kWhr price should be maintained.

At the same time, we should begin a **new** conversation to address RMP's financial needs for cost plus profit, for the changes to the smart grid and storage that we will need. They need to be properly compensated as a business for their investments in the community.

Homeowners have made their part of the needed investment for the future by investing in rooftop solar. We need to continue to make that investment, by maintaining the solar credit prices to include all the relevant factors: Investment in generation, Clean Energy requirements (RMP took possession of our "renewable energy credits" as part of the net-metering contract), and health benefits of air quality improvements that follow.

Please include ALL the relevant factors in your deliberations, and support distributed generation and rooftop solar.

Sincerely,

Miranda Menzies

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Eden, UT 84310



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1 message

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Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 6:56 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

We have invested good money into our solar system. Rocky Mountain Power already charged us for us to use our own solar power..

And to cut the compensation by 84% is ridiculous... we try to save money and they just want to find ways to still make us рау.

Sincerely, Donna Brock 1402 Willowbrook Dr West Bountiful, UT 84087-1861 dbrock03@comcast.net



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Merrill Enniss <merrillenniss@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: merrillenniss@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 6:58 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Please be fair with us, you make enough off of your customers as it is, also the saving of pollution of the earth should be motive enough for you to consider fairness to us who have and will have solar on our roofs, your children and hrandchildren will be better off for doing so. Thank you

Sincerely, Merrill Enniss 14512 S 2700 W Bluffdale, UT 84065-3020 merrillenniss@gmail.com



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Richard Knudson < rdknudson77@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: rdknudson77@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 6:58 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

[Your letter here] support compensation for solar customers at the current rate. do not reduce the rate of compensation.

Sincerely, Richard Knudson 1361 N 3000 W Clinton, UT 84015-7512 rdknudson77@gmail.com



## Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Kim Mellin <a href="mailto:kimberly.mellin@everyactioncustom.com">kim Mellin <a href="mailto:kimberly.mellin@everyactioncustom.com">kim Mellin <a href="mailto:kimberly.mellin@everyactioncustom.com">kim Mellin <a href="mailto:kimberly.mellin@everyactioncustom.com">kimberly.mellin@everyactioncustom.com</a>> Reply-To: kimberly.mellin@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 7:18 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

I invested a lot of money in solar deserve fair compensation for the valuable energy they send back to the electric grid.

Since Nov. 2018 my small rooftop solar array has had tremendous environmental Benefits:

1. CO2 Emission Saved: 14,622.24 lb

2. Equivalent Trees Planted: 110.48

Also, the solar has covered my electric costs by 97-100%.

Why wouldn't companies and the people making these decisions want to support a better environment for their kids future.

Sincerely, Kim Mellin 1995 S Roberta St Salt Lake City, UT 84115-2117 kimberly.mellin@gmail.com



## Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

TJ Dunker <tjdunker@gmail.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 7:28 PM

Dear Public Service Commission-

I am opposed to Docket No 17-035-61. As a regulated utility, Rocky Mountain Power gets certain free-market protections. Unfortunately they are choosing to use these protections to crush any threats and remain a monopoly.

My family installed rooftop solar several years ago. At the time the economics were not great, but we felt it was our responsibility to help solve the air quality problem in Salt Lake City. Rooftop solar is good for our health and the environment. The power generated by rooftop solar means coal is not burned.

We feel the commission should increase the export credit rate to reflect the real value crated by rooftop solar. The state should reinstate the Net Metering Program. And, the commission should adopt the Vote Solar study recommendation of \$0.22 per kilowatt-hour.

We believe that Utahns should have reasonable and affordably access to independent clean energy. Please do your part to protect consumer choice.

Sincerely,

TJ Dunker 1328 E Emerson Ave Salt Lake City, UT 84152



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

thomas schulz <tericschulz@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: tericschulz@comcast.net To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 7:38 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

I've invested in solar for my home to do my part in these climate crisis times.

Don't let the power company profit unduly off of a person's costly investment in solar. They should be encouraging us to do more of what we have done. The state and national powers should also be encouraging more solar investments and use. Soon we will have national leaders who will again encourage the use of wind and solar. We should be like Europe where it is mandatory for homes to have solar power.

Don't let the power companies hinder the use of solar power by homeowners by making it less valuable for them to get involved in solar.

Sincerely, thomas schulz 3417 W 1850 S Syracuse, UT 84075-9303 tericschulz@comcast.net



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Matt Bouis <matt.bouis@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: matt.bouis@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 7:44 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Power utilities need to equally share the burden and the reward of power generation.

Sincerely, Matt Bouis 962 E Serpentine Way Sandy, UT 84094-4623 matt.bouis@gmail.com



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Mike Allen <mikeallen@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: mikeallen@imwindandsolar.com To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 8:17 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

I am a Solar system owner and I also work in the Solar industry. I am also a proud supporter of the Renewable energy industry. I am very concerned about the proposed action that Rocky Mountain Power is proposing. I believe that solar gives great value to the electric grid when feeding back to the utility. One of the biggest reasons why I have solar is to save money on my power bill and if the proposed action goes through then solar will not be near as valuable. I am also very concerned about how this could affect my career in Solar and renewable energy. The less money customers save because of solar, the less they will be interested in going solar. If customers don't go solar then I don't have a career. So, please fight for the solar industry by not letting Rocky Mountain Power get their way. Thank you

Michael P Allen

Sincerely, Mike Allen 6078 W Oakshade Ln West Jordan, UT 84081-3402 mikeallen@imwindandsolar.com



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Andrew Ord <andrew@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: andrew@ordmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 9:00 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Please respect the investment that solar customers have made as well as support the jobs of solar industry workers. Do not allow Rocky Mountain Power lower the rate at which they compensate solar customers.

Sincerely, Andrew Ord 967 W Deer Clover St Farmington, UT 84025-2542 andrew@ordmail.com



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Laurence Yorgason <a href="mailto:laurenceyorgason@everyactioncustom.com">everyactioncustom.com</a> Reply-To: laurenceyorgason@comcast.net To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 9:02 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Utah must move forward on the path to renewable energy for all to create a strong clean economy. Families and businesses who invest in solar deserve fair compensation for the valuable energy they send back to the grid. You simply cannot reduce that compensation, especially by 84%.

Sincerely, Laurence Yorgason 973 E 5675 S Ogden, UT 84405-7203 laurenceyorgason@comcast.net



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Steve Hunt <stevejhunt@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: stevejhunt@comcast.net To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 9:03 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

The proposed cut in reimbursement for Solar panel home customers is completely outrageous.

Common sense tells us that it is time for Solar to be placed on every rooftop that is able. Rocky Mountain power understands this but wants to protect their fossil fuel investment.

To allow them to cut the reimbursement rate for rooftop solar customers by 85% basically will make this form of energy production extinct.

And our environment along the Wasatch front, rooftop solar electricity production makes even more sense than elsewhere in the nation given our problems with pollution.

I have powered both my home and a car I drive with Solar generated electricity for the last six years. This has been a great investment for me and gives me pride to know that I'm doing what I can to protect our environment for future generations.

Please do not allow Rocky Mountain power to bully The system to get their way. Anyone with common sense knows the truth of what I am saying.

Now is the time for solar energy and other alternative energy solutions. There's a fossil fuel must end to protect our world.

Please consider these things are voting on this matter

Sincerely, Steve Hunt 8775 S Oak Valley Dr Sandy, UT 84093-2010 steveihunt@comcast.net



## Comment on Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Nellie Huynh <nellie611@hotmail.com> Reply-To: Nellie Huynh <nellie611@hotmail.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov> Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 9:51 PM

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).

This utility's proposed export credit rate reduction from 9.4¢/kWh to ~ 1.5¢/kWh is nothing more than an attempt by Rocky Mountain Power to misrepresent the value of rooftop solar in order to stifle competition and monopolize renewable power generation. The evidence provided throughout this solar export proceeding has both demonstrated the value of customergenerated exports and shown that Rocky Mountain Power has failed to adequately assess the value of excess solar energy in its proposed rate change.

A better solution than the proposed rate, which, if approved, would be among the most punitive in the nation, is an increased solar export credit rate. The Vote Solar Load Research Study demonstrates the value of customer-generated exports at 22¢ per kilowatt-hour. This value includes 10.57¢/kWh from utility-based benefits alone. Environmental and social benefits add an additional 12/03¢ of benefits.

While it is important to recognize that rooftop solar customers are still very much on the grid, utilizing utility infrastructure, one cannot fairly calculate the cost of this over the many benefits to the grid, customers, and community provided by rooftop solar.

Rooftop solar creates many system-wide benefits enjoyed by all Rocky Mountain Power service area customers and the utility itself. Distributed energy generation from rooftop solar contributes to grid flexibility and resilience and avoids costly transmission upgrades. Additionally, rooftop solar helps create consumer choice and keeps customer dollars local. A punitive export credit rate would take all of these benefits away and would further exclude low-income communities from consumer choice. Rapid implementation of the utility's proposed export credit rate would create a shock for rooftop solar customers and the solar industry. Reducing the export credit by 84% would also jeopardize thousands of local jobs and create additional cost risks for customers through fuel price volatility and major infrastructure development.

Rooftop solar helps to ensure safe, reliable, adequate, and reasonably priced utility service, the guidance by which the Commission is to assess rate proposals. Evidence brought forth throughout this proceeding and by dozens of cases throughout the country confirm that a reduced solar export credit is the inappropriate regulatory response to rooftop solar and will serve to disincentivize the integration of renewable energy into Utah's energy portfolio. Please consider increasing the export credit rate to reflect the real benefits created by rooftop solar.

Sincerely, Nellie Huynh 520 South 500 East Salt Lake City, UT 84102



## Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

To: psc@utah.gov

Stacey Van Dahm (svandahm@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 10:08

PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

If we are to create a sustainable future, we have to use solar and other alternative power sources. Let's work together to make this happen. Don't allow electric to overwhelm a thriving solar economic system, threaten jobs, and reduce our chances at a future with clean air.

As a resident of Utah, I am urging you to reject Rocky Mountain Power?s proposal to reduce the export credit rate of rooftop solar by up to 85%. The change in value for residential customers from 9.2?/kWh to 1.5?/kWh is not supported by sound science, as demonstrated by the vastly different valuations between the Rocky Mountain Power and Vote Solar studies. The rate change would result in drastic job losses for an entire industry, compounding the hardship of the current economic crisis in this state. Additionally, by allowing this change, the Public Service Commission would be condoning Rocky Mountain Power?s monopolization of sun power, and cutting off Utahns' right to energy choice.

Our energy grid is rapidly evolving. The future of the grid must include a diversity of resources, including distributed generation which supports greater community resiliency. If the Public Service Commission allows Rocky Mountain Power to undervalue the contributions of rooftop solar, then it is essentially stifling millions of dollars of potential crowd-funded investment in our grid infrastructure. A decision to approve a 1.5?/kWh rate is a decision to support corporate welfare over the future stability and sustainability of our energy grid.

I implore you to serve the best interest of the people of Utah over the shareholders of Rocky Mountain Power. Reinstate net-metering and afford the people of Utah our right to choose the clean, distributed energy choice we deserve.

Sincerely,

Stacey Van Dahm 252 E Ailee Lane Salt Lake City, UT 84107 svandahm@gmail.com (805) 453-3061

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# DocketNo. 17-035-61

1 message

nellie huynh <nellie.a.huynh@gmail.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 10:20 PM

Dear Public Service Commission members,

I oppose the proposed rate because it is significantly undervalued and would hurt Utah's economy and overall health. It fails to account for the savings from infrastructure costs but also the benefits from the health and community perspective. This program is being crippled and it needs to continue to incentivize citizens of Utah to move towards solar. Please do not let the greed of one corporation exploit and undermine the health of the entire community.

Thanks, Nellie Huynh



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Dallas Smith <dallas@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: dallas@crazykooks.com To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 10:36 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Please don't let Rocky Mountain Power negate the efforts of thousands of Utah homeowners and business owners to produce clean, renewable energy.

D Smith

Sincerely, **Dallas Smith** 59 W 2200 S Bountiful, UT 84010-5627 dallas@crazykooks.com



## Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

Paul Ricketts (radioman99@hotmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 10:41

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Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

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Sincerely,

Paul Ricketts 1401 west 600 south SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84104 radioman99@hotmail.com (801) 597-1442

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## Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

Patricia Kenlon (trishkmail@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 10:56

PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

It is critically important that Utah become a strong supporter of net metering to help grow the solar power industry here. Utah's solar production potential is huge, we have a terrible air pollution problem that is quickly becoming an important quality of life issue in the valley, and we are in need of more jobs for Utahns. Please reinstate net metering so that my family and the rest of Utah can benefit from cost savings, cleaner air, and more jobs. It will also make our cities and grid more resilient, which is becoming more and more important as we face threats to our grid reliability from wildfires and major storms. Thank you.

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1 message

Allyson Mathis <allyson.mathis@gmail.com> Reply-To: Allyson Mathis <allyson.mathis@gmail.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov>

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 11:51 PM

Dear Commissioners,

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Every roof here in Moab should have solar on it. I rent, and wish I could convince my landlord to do it. It is the ultimate in waste to not have rooftop solar

Sincerely, Allyson Mathis 125 Arches Drive Unit A Moab, UT 84532



## Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

Annie Fletcher (annief1893@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 11:58

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Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

This matters because we can?t let selfish money hungry pricks kill our earth

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Sincerely,

Annie Fletcher 368 south 1100 east Salt Lake City, UT 84102 annief1893@gmail.com (801) 792-1718

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## Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

DeLayna Wilhelmsen (nuspiripeacity@hotmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 4:58

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

The air quality in Utah is some of the worst in the nation and sometimes world, and solar power could go a long way in keeping our air clean.

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DeLayna WIlhelmsen 5893 Columbus Circle Stansbury, UT 84074 nuspiripeacity@hotmail.com (801) 633-0942

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1 message

Alice Kunkel <alice.kunkel@gmail.com> Reply-To: Alice Kunkel <alice.kunkel@gmail.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov> Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 6:07 AM

Dear Commissioners,

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Sincerely, Alice Kunkel 255 N 400 W APT 4035 SLC, UT 84103



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

James Walker < jt walker 798@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: jt\_walker\_798@hotmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 5:52 AM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

I understand that Rocky mountain power is in business to make money.

However, every rooftop solar power system is that much less infrastructure that Rocky mountain power has to build in order to meet demand.

I believe that their proposal will reduce the amount of rooftop solar power systems. Ultimately this is very short-sighted and harmful in many ways.

Sincerely, James Walker 2657 S 2185 W West Haven, UT 84401-5113 jt\_walker\_798@hotmail.com



### Comment on Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Paul Tolvo <ptolvo1@gmail.com> Reply-To: Paul Tolvo <ptolvo1@gmail.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov> Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 6:44 AM

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Sincerely, Paul Tolvo 928 w 280 n Orem, UT 84057



### Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

Payton Gulley (figuringcactus@icloud.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 6:48

To: psc@utah.gov

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Sincerely,

Payton Gulley 214 E Hill Avenue Salt Lake City, UT 84107 figuringcactus@icloud.com (801) 879-8116



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

John Winder <midnightsk8er2004@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: midnightsk8er2004@yahoo.com To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 6:58 AM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

**RMP** 

solar customers bring in extra energy to Utah a DWR should be compensated fairly for that. I think it's abuse of power to not pay fairly and I will make my voice be heard to my elected politicians. I hope your company does what is right

Sincerely, John Winder 9924 S Blossom Dr Sandy, UT 84092-3614 midnightsk8er2004@yahoo.com



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Roy Rasband <roy.rasband@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: roy.rasband@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 7:56 AM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

I invested around \$30k on my solar system in order to help provide clean and renewable power to our Utah environment. I also did this with the understanding that I would receive a fair reimbursement on the power that I feed back into the Rocky Mountain Power grid. This was calculated as incentive to me in order to justify the initial investment. Please support the individual solar participants by maintaining reasonable reimbursements for solar power that is pushed back into the Rocky Mountain Grid.

Sincerely, Roy Rasband 85 E Chase Ln Centerville, UT 84014-1603 roy.rasband@gmail.com



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Allison Beatty <br/> <br/> beattyam@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: beattyam@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 8:44 AM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Please ensure fair compensation by Rocky Mountain Power to solar cstomers for the power they produce. Do not allow RMP to decrease its rates to those who have invested in clean power production.

With its solar exposure, Utah must enable itself to maximize this renewable, clean resource. Undercutting an industry in the near term, whose revenue stream and clean energy production will outlast the declining fossil fuel market over the long run is extremely short sited. RMP will survive by innovation, but only if they are encouraged to do so.

Help with long term fiscal discipline and smart investment by saying NO to Rocky Mountain Power's payment decrease for solar power watts produced!

Sincerely, Allison Beatty 1012 E 1st Ave Salt Lake City, UT 84103-3928 beattyam@gmail.com



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Reply-To: briancoopersales@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 8:59 AM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

I have gone through the expense of putting solar on my house. This is a power plant that is provided to you. You receive my overproduction for free. You didn't have to put up the money. It's for this reason that many other utility companies have incentives to encourage solar customers to make that investment. It's ridiculous that you want to be so unfair and take people's solar production without providing a proper value. Please reconsider and do the right thing.

Sincerely.

**Brian Cooper** 

Sincerely, **Brian Cooper** 1640 W 4900 S Sterling, UT 84665 briancoopersales@gmail.com



### Comment on Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Anthony Lott <anthony.lott@usu.edu> Reply-To: Anthony Lott <anthony.lott@usu.edu> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov> Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 9:19 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).

It is in the public interest - globally as well as locally - for us to maximize our use of renewable energy sources, particularly residential solar. I believe the more incentives residents have to install and maintain systems the more widespread they will be - and this is a powerful way for everyday citizens to participate in the push for cleaner air and long-term solutions to the unsustainable use of fossil fuels. I love the solar system that runs my pioneer-era home and it makes sense to see panels all across this State - which receives such abundant sun throughout the year.

We need more panels, more participants, and more enthusiasm so that we have a more optimistic future to offer to our children and grandchildren.

With respect and gratitude for your public service,

Anthony Lott Bluff, Utah

Sincerely, Anthony Lott 189 North 300 East Bluff, UT 84512



## Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Courtney Daggy < courtneyd3@gmail.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 9:28 AM

Dear Public Service Commission-

I am opposed to Docket No 17-035-61. As a regulated utility, Rocky Mountain Power gets certain free-market protections. Unfortunately they are choosing to use these protections to crush any threats and remain a monopoly.

My family installed rooftop solar several years ago. At the time the economics were not great, but we felt it was our responsibility to help solve the air quality problem in Salt Lake City. Rooftop solar is good for our health and the environment. The power generated by rooftop solar means coal is not burned.

We feel the commission should increase the export credit rate to reflect the real value created by rooftop solar. The state should reinstate the Net Metering Program. And, the commission should adopt the Vote Solar study recommendation of \$0.22 per kilowatt-hour.

We believe that Utahns should have reasonable and affordable access to independent clean energy. Please do your part to protect consumer choice. The future of our environment and our air quality is too important to not protect.

Sincerely,

Courtney Daggy 1328 E Emerson Ave Salt Lake City, UT 84152



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Adam Hiatt <adam.hiatt@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: adam.hiatt@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 9:32 AM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

As a homeowner who has made an investment a rooftop PV solar system I urge you to increase or maintain current net metering rates and provide fair compensation to those who are contributing to renewable and clean energy sources that are good for Utah. PV solar systems and renewable energy are part of the solution to maintaining and improving Utah's air quality.

Sincerely, Adam Hiatt 12478 S Mossberg Dr Herriman, UT 84096-7784 adam.hiatt@gmail.com



### Comment on Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Rylee Pilon <ryleepilon@nomopros.com> Reply-To: Rylee Pilon <ryleepilon@nomopros.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov> Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 9:33 AM

Dear Commissioners,

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Sincerely, Rylee Pilon 10087 Bingham Miner Court South Jordan, UT 84095



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1 message

Brian Peck (Bppeck@willamette.edu) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 9:37

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Rooftop solar is extremely important to me. When we live in a state that receives some of the most sun of any state in the nation we need to take full advantage of that resource. Utah is a state where we love and respect all of our natural resources such as our national parks and beautiful mountains. So why would we take away the ability to use one of our most important resources, the sun? Every time I flip a switch in my home I think about where that energy is coming from and rooftop solar gives me the peace of mind to know that I?m getting my energy in a clean and sustainable manner. I?m originally from Nevada and we had a very similar issue in 2016 where NV Energy completely destroyed solar in Nevada when we were on track to be one of the biggest solar energy producers in the nation. I implore you to stop Rocky Mountain Power so we don?t make the same mistakes Nevada made and give Utahns the full freedom to better their homes, communities, and environment.

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# Docket No: 17-035-61

1 message

Sydney Husseman <husseman@me.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 9:42 AM

Dear Public Service Commission,

I strongly oppose Rocky Mountain Power's attempt to charge me more for the solar energy I produce. I installed 40 panels on my Layton home to do my part to keep Utah's air clean (I also drive hybrid cars). It will take decades of living in my home to recoup the costs of my panels. I cannot imagine any other energy costs increasing by 85% — it's an unconscionable act.

I wish that Rocky Mountain power could support those of us embracing green energy, and do more to embrace new technologies themselves. Instead they seek to punish those of us working to make the Earth cleaner and cooler. Rooftop solar also provides good jobs for people. This is a forward-looking industry that is good for the state of Utah.

If Rocky Mountain power needs to make more money, maybe they should charge the people using dirty energy more money?

Oppose the increase!

Sydney Husseman Layton, Utah



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Robyn TAYLOR-GRANDA <rtgranda@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: rtgranda@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 10:21 AM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Solar energy protects our future, do not make it too expensive for everyday people to use!

Sincerely, Robyn TAYLOR-GRANDA 1228 E Waterside Cv Cottonwood Heights, UT 84047-4261 rtgranda@gmail.com



### Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Daniel Bedard <dfxbedard@gmail.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 10:34 AM

Public Service Commission

Whether you believe that humans are negatively affecting the planet is your own opinion. You are entitled to your own opinion in this country. If you should choose to only see and hear the information that validates your opinion is up to you. Again you have the right to have your opinion.

My argument begins simply that solar panels that are connected to the grid that provide energy into the grid is the same as purchasing fossil fuels and other non renewable energy sources. Is it the intention for Rocky Mountain power to start paying 84% less for natural gas and coal? I doubt it. If Rocky Mountain Power measures energy the same from renewable energy to non renewable energy is this reduction of credit primarily to reduce investment in renewable energy?

Rocky Mountain Power makes a profit off of solar energy when they are paying 9.2 cents per kWh. RMP is not obligated to maintain individually owned solar panels or any other maintenance beyond the residential or commercial connection to the grid. There is no reason to reduce the value of the energy credit with maintenance.

Finally is RMP not purposely bullying smaller energy providers into obsolescence? Essentially a monopoly in this area RMP fails to project into the future. Whether the US is allowing drilling and mining at an unpresented rate or acknowledging that non-renewable energy is finite doesn't change this reduction in credit value is meant to reduce the integration of viable solar energy farming. The energy industry has been driven by financially isolated individuals and continues to only focus on the profits for the few. The culture of mining and drilling is based on so called "self sufficiency" and the impractical ideals of those unwilling or uninterested to learn beyond their own circumstances.

We are a country of many, and if RMP chooses to move forward in the reduction of credit value then at the very least this individual will stand in the way of draconian money and energy hoarding. As time moves on and RMP doesn't they will become obsolete and solar communities will rise from their ashes.

Sincerely **Daniel Bedard** 

daniel fx. bedard dfxbedard@gmail.com



### Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Seth Richardson <seth@vectorse.com> To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 10:48 AM

Hello,

I had the opportunity to work part-time as a project manager for Vector Structural Engineers because of the large number of solar projects that they do structural approval for. I have held various part-time jobs for the past 12 years, but this was the best one that I've had. It helped me begin to invest in a 401k for the first time, even as a part-time employee. This part-time job has recently led to a full-time job as an Engineer in Training (E.I.T), and a very bright career future for me.

None of this would have been possible without the significant private solar industry here in Utah.

I worry that the devaluing of rooftop solar energy proposed by Rocky Mountain Power will prevent other from having the excellent career opportunity that I have had. Hundreds, if not thousands of high quality jobs in Utah are directly connected to the private solar industry. I hope that the cost of those lost jobs and opportunities for Utahns will be fully considered before this rate change is allowed to go into effect.

There are many reasons why I think solar panels are something that will improve Utah's future, but I wanted to highlight this personal example in the hopes that it will thoughtfully heard.

Thank you,

Seth Richardson

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## Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Jacob Proctor < jacob@vectorse.com> To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 10:51 AM

I am an employer here in Utah. We employ approximately 80 people in our office. Approximately ½ of our revenue each year is due to roof top solar. We have many customers who provide rooftop solar here in Utah. We also provide services throughout the United States for roof top solar.

Allowing home owners to have control over their energy supply at their own home is the right thing to do.

Jacob S. Proctor, SE

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### Comment on Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Angie Branch <moabgirl@gmail.com> Reply-To: Angie Branch <moabgirl@gmail.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov> Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 10:56 AM

Dear Commissioners,

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Sincerely, Angie Branch 3111 e bell canyon rd Sandy, UT 84092



### Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

Lorena Bush (lorenadbudh@yahoo.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 11:06

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Utah has amazing solar power potential that is being ignored. Please put the community?s interests above Rocky Mountain?s. Please do the right thing.

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Sincerely,

Lorena Bush 1049 E 8175 S Sandy, UT 84094 lorenadbudh@yahoo.com (801) 419-8150



# Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Kris Bennett < krisann1012@gmail.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 11:10 AM

To whom it may concern,

It has been brought to my attention that Rocky Mountain Power has proposed a plan to devalue and regulate rooftop solar installations. As a grandma with small grandchildren I am always looking at how our world is changing for the better, not only for me but for them. Solar has proven to be an excellent way to bring a good change to all of us. The sun will continue to shine and how blessed are we to live in a state that even in the winter months there is sun. Solar provides better air quality but most importantly backup power. Just last month there were thousands of people across the states where RMP provides all power, that were without power for days. We have had earthquakes and a pandemic where people are more worried now more than ever to be prepared. Solar should be on the front page of how to prepare and how to have a backup for when the next power outage comes.

I believe in a free-market where growth is apparent. Utah is one of the fastest growing states. Forbes said in December of 2019 article "Utah Ranks Among the Fastest Growing States In the Nation. Here's Why." "Approximately 3 million people live in Utah. By 2050, the population is forecast to nearly double to 5.4 million. Grow noted that Utah has been one of the few places in the country where over 20 years the state undertook a significant effort to make certain there were jobs for everybody and that incomes were growing." Is now really the time to put 100 plus solar companies with all of their employees out of business for a power company to have a monopoly or is now the time for growth and a better way to get energy? Why would we discourage a new cleaner way with all the pollution that is in our air already? I want my granddaughters to grow up in a world where masks aren't the normal where we can go outside and get fresh air.

I believe in our state and I believe our voices are heard. I just hope there is enough of us that will stand up and say something and that we will be heard.

Thank you,

Kris Bennett Lehi, Utah resident



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1 message

Susan Stewart <sussn.ryonen@gmail.com> Reply-To: Susan Stewart <sussn.ryonen@gmail.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov>

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Sincerely, Susan Stewart 1411 South Utah St., #23 1411 South Utah St., #23, UT 84104



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1 message

Madison Martin <madimart355@gmail.com> Reply-To: Madison Martin <madimart355@gmail.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 11:46 AM

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Sincerely, Madison Martin 1257 n 575 w Cedar city, UT 84720



### Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

Andrew Conelly (aconelly 1813@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 11:52

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

I don?t want to see corporations controlling our politicians. And that?s all this is. Rocky Mountain power is buying off politicians so that they can monopolize solar energy.

Home solar panels are a great investment not just for homeowners, but for the environment in general, especially in these days of widespread climate change.

If Rocky Mountain power wants to lower how much they will pay solar customers for the power they generated, then Rocky Mountain power should compensate by lowering their rates for all customers.

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Sincerely,

**Andrew Conelly** 3423 s underhill rd Magna, UT 84044 aconelly1813@gmail.com (801) 380-3615



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1 message

Alison Musch (alisonrodbergmusch@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 11:56

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Utah is the best place for solar. Let?s continue to harness the great power of the sun here!

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Sincerely,

Alison Musch 1752 S 2100 E Salt Lake City, UT 84108 alisonrodbergmusch@gmail.com (949) 300-2380



## Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Vinson Johnson vinson@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: vinson@merrill-johnson.com To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 11:57 AM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

It is important to provide fair compensation for companies and business that invest in solar energy production. There are three important reasons:

#### Clean air:

Solar energy has shown to reduce air pollution in urban communities. With our tendencies towards inversion, this is a perpetual problem. Millions of dollars is lost each year to healthcare cost and loss of productivity due to sick time.

#### Investment in our economy:

The solar energy industry contributes thousands of jobs to our economy. To ignore their contribution is declaring one industry more important than another. A level playing field is all we ask.

#### Fairness:

As a home owner that has invested in solar panels, I expect fair value for my production and contribution to the energy of Utah. Just as Rocky Mountain Power expect fair value.

I participated in Vote Solar's analysis which was presented to the PSC. It's affirmative testimony of March 3, 2020 represents a fair assessment of compensation and contribution to energy in Utah.

Their testimony also identifies many more of my family's concerns about Rocky Mountain's Power operations as identified in Table 1.

Please consider the collective effect of thousands of homes generating power as fairly as you consider RMP's contribution.

Sincerely, Vinson Johnson Johnson 1584 E Harvard Ave Salt Lake City, UT 84105-1726 vinson@merrill-johnson.com



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1 message

To: psc@utah.gov

Donna Bradshaw (dbradshawlaw@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 11:58

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Sincerely,

Donna Bradshaw 1065 S 300 E Salt Lake City, UT 84111 dbradshawlaw@gmail.com (801) 750-8225



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Giovanni Giannoni <giovannisgiannoni@gmail.com> Reply-To: Giovanni Giannoni < giovannisgiannoni@gmail.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 11:59 AM

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Sincerely, Giovanni Giannoni 6439 W. 3210 S. West Valley City, UT 84128



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1 message

Shelly Filgo <sbfilgo@gmail.com> Reply-To: Shelly Filgo <sbfilgo@gmail.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov> Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 12:01 PM

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Sincerely, Shelly Filgo 11721 S Highland Oaks Cir Sandy, UT 84092



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1 message

Angie Lassig (anlassig@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 12:04

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

We need to stop relying so heavily on fossil fuels! Please allow solar to go forward. Maybe we should ask power companies, and gas companies to be a partner in solar, so they can make money too. Upkeep workers, updates to solar panel workers, and ways to help everyone happy.

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Regina Ortiz (rrortiz67@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 12:04

PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

We need to have reliable resources instead of relying on coal. Global warming is very real and we need to make changes to keep it from getting worse. Rocky Mountain power needs to continue to help is help them by helping us to keep the electricity up and available and to help us to keep the environment from getting worse. We are saving their resources as well as the environment. We need to the continue solar program.

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Ronald Rogers (funkd77@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 12:04

PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

I installed solar on my roof 4 years ago to decrease my carbon footprint, save money, add value to my home. Rocky Mountain Power?s proposal stands to make this decision much more difficult for others, decreasing energy independence and driving up CO2 emissions. This proposal would direct Utahns down the wrong path and put us on the wrong side of the fight against climate change.

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Sincerely,

Ronald Rogers 2090 E Debeers Sandy, UT 84093 funkd77@gmail.com (801) 706-8765



### Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

Jennifer Russell-Fenus (batmanusdmychina@yahoo.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 12:05 PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Power from the Sun should not be monopolized and anyone who chooses to utilize the power directly from the Sun should have the right to do so!

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Jennifer Russell-Fenus 435 N 200 W Salt Lake City, UT 84103 batmanusdmychina@yahoo.com (801) 558-3185



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Lloyd Thomas <thomas3535@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: thomas3535@msn.com To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 12:14 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

As a recent home solar owner, I feel satisfied at least a portion of the substantial purchase cost is justified as contribution to clean power. The monthly savings helps to offset the cost. Please consider the personal investment of individuals as you consider the value of individuals contribution to clean power as a partner to our utility and decide NOT to subsidize our utility with additional discounts at the cost to homeowner solar.

Sincerely, Lloyd Thomas 929 E 3550 N Ogden, UT 84414-7572 thomas3535@msn.com



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1 message

Jenny Breckterfield <ipre>jbreckterfield@gmail.com> Reply-To: Jenny Breckterfield <i breckterfield@gmail.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov>

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Sincerely, Jenny Breckterfield 1524 Beverly Drive Ogden, UT 84403



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1 message

John Caywood (kwd81677@hotmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 12:17

PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

On a personal level, I have a child who is severely asthmatic. It makes no sense, given our terrible Salt Lake City air, to do anything to discourage the implementation of solar energy by taking away choices on how to pay for the equipment. Every solar kw is a kw not generated by dirty means. RMP need not worry about reducing the need for their product. There will always be poor people like my family who are unable to consider installing solar panels, partly because of the high cost of medical services for my daughter. Tell Warren Buffett he?s made enough money already.

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John Caywood 1262 S 1200 W Salt Lake City, UT 84104 kwd81677@hotmail.com (801) 541-5626



### Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

Nancy Fahey (nancyfahey92@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 12:23

PM

To: psc@utah.gov

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Sincerely,

Nancy Fahey 2835 East 7230 South Cottonwood Heights, UT 84121 nancyfahey92@gmail.com (385) 259-5022



### Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

Sarah Baca (sarahbaca@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 12:27

PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

As Utahns we need to invest in more renewable energy sources. Tourism is our biggest industry here yet our legislators favor fossil fuel refineries, strip mines and nuclear waste companies. We need to support industry that will help maintain and enhance our natural beauty and outdoor recreation here. I urge you to stop Rocky Mountain Power's proposal.

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Sincerely,

Sarah Baca 2265 N 800 E North Logan, UT 84341 sarahbaca@gmail.com (307) 920-0116



# Comment on Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Carrie Brooks <Brooks.MRSSC@gmail.com> Reply-To: Carrie Brooks < Brooks.MRSSC@gmail.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 12:36 PM

Dear Commissioners,

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Sincerely, Carrie Brooks 1489 Tomahawk Drive Salt Lake City, UT 84103



### Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

Austin King (austinjking58@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 12:37

PM

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Sincerely,

Austin King 7889 North Brookwood Drive Eagle Mountain, UT 84005 austinjking58@gmail.com (801) 652-2027



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

John Murray < immurray 9999@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: jmmurray9999@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 12:42 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

I am a physics professor with decades of industrial and solar PV and passive solar home design experience in the American West, including Utah. The reduction in compensation proposed by RMP is fatally flawed in politically, economically, and scientifically in terms of its effect on solar generation in the state, in terms of climate change effects, and in terms of green infrastructure improvements needed for the citizens of Utah. RMP should actually be paying feed-in tariffs to solar users, which would involve an increase (by a factor of 2-3) in the amount paid for customer-generated power, since their coal & gas fired power plants are only approximately 35%-40% efficient. I have also considered off-hour generation costs (duck curve effects) in this analysis.

Sincerely, John Murray 1787 S 2200 E New Harmony, UT 84757-5081 jmmurray9999@gmail.com



# Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

Hannah Oblock (hannahoblock@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 12:43

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Hannah Oblock 372 Welby Ave Salt Lake City, UT 84115 hannahoblock@gmail.com (435) 760-7279



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### Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Roy Smeal <cottonwoods42@yahoo.com> To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 12:46 PM

Dear Public Service Commission,

I am writing in opposition to Rocky Mountain Power's attack on rooftop solar. Voting in favor of these changes would hinder competition in the energy sector, destroy local jobs, and remove more wealth from the local economy and distribute it to distant owners. Most importantly, it is an attack on the project to build a livable world for our children to live in. These large corporations talk a big game about markets, but these ideals go by the wayside when real competition appears. Economists call this behavior 'economic rent extraction.' I am a strong supporter of the idea of local control, a belief most of the politicians in our state claim to hold also. This ideal also is regularly betrayed at the behest of corporate power.

Vote in the best interest of the people of Utah. Vote against RMPs proposed changes.

Best Regards,

Roy Smeal

1852 E Yalecrest Ave Salt Lake City, 84108



# Comment on Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Dwight Butler <dwightbutler3@gmail.com> Reply-To: Dwight Butler <dwightbutler3@gmail.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 1:02 PM

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).

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Sincerely, **Dwight Butler** 2284 Roosevelt Ave. Salt Lake City, UT 84108



# Docket no. 17-035-61

1 message

Megan Dickey <mdickey1920@gmail.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 1:39 PM

Hello,

As a Utahn, I would like to vouch for solar energy, specifically rooftop solar. In the region we live in, we do so much damage to the desert and the few water sources we have. Solar energy is one of the ways we can do right by the earth, especially in a place that is mostly sunny year round. To take away this option is careless towards the already struggling environment.

On top of my environmental concern, the solar industry provides jobs for countless Utahns. With the pandemic making such a dent on the economy worldwide, now is not the time to be taking away jobs from hard working people. As well as providing jobs, solar energy is an affordable and reliable way to provide energy to our citizens.

Sincerely,

Meagan Dickey



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1 message

Deborah Nahvi <deb nahvi@icloud.com> Reply-To: Deborah Nahvi <deb nahvi@icloud.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov>

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Sincerely, Deborah Nahvi 1237 East Fenway Avenue Salt Lake City, UT 84102



### Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

Douglas Hasbrouck (doughasbrouck55@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 2:01

PM

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

I am a resident of Riverton UT. I am a customer of Rocky Mountain Power.

I have had roof top solar on my property since November 2008. This system is personally owned. Rooftop solar has allowed our family to produce clean, emission free power to meet the majority of our electrical energy needs. We employed designers, builders and electricians to install our system. We have periodically employed an electrician for maintenance purposes. My point is that roof top solar supports jobs.

The reduction proposed by Rocky Mountain Power will clearly harm roof top solar in Utah, will consolidate power production solely in the hands of Rocky mountain Power and appears biased towards a corporate entity and against individual citizens in the State. This does not seem fair and balanced.

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Cameo Fisher <cami joe348@hotmail.com> Reply-To: Cameo Fisher <cami joe348@hotmail.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov>

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Sincerely, Cameo Fisher 5596 S Brookridge Dr Apt 10H Murray, UT 84107



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Randy Shoop <Randys1998@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: Randys1998@yahoo.com To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 2:12 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

I urge you not to agree with RMP rate hike on solar production. There has got to be a better way for everyone to work together on energy. This rate only lines RMP pockets with cash and doesn't solve the problems. Make them solve the energy problems not get driven by greed.

Thank you, Randy Shoop 801 550 2822.

Sincerely, Randy Shoop 1244 W 1580 N Clinton, UT 84015-5308 Randys1998@yahoo.com



### Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

Valarie Gillette (vjgillette2000@yahoo.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 2:34

To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

I have family members that have solar already...if Rocky Mt has their way next the solar people use will not be able to be used anymore after paying all that money to get it... I think Rocky Mt charges envoy already. People wouldn?t be getting solar if their nils weren?t so high. Besides when power goes out they can still have power with a backup

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Sincerely,

Valarie Gillette 1210 Silversmith Sandy, UT 84094 vjgillette2000@yahoo.com (801) 651-9725



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Brando Crockett <Keatonbcrockett@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: Keatonbcrockett@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 2:53 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Please do whats right to help give our children a healthier and cleaner future.

Sincerely, Brando Crockett 8263 S Ashley Cir Sandy, UT 84093-1179 Keatonbcrockett@gmail.com



### Public comment in Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Ken Jameson <a href="mailto:kpjameson@gmail.com">kpjameson@gmail.com</a> To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 3:20 PM

Dear Sirs,

My name is Ken Jameson, my wife and I, Penny Brooke Jameson, live at 1801 S 2600 E in Salt Lake City. We are RMP customers. We are both 78 years old.

We installed rooftop solar in 2014. It made sense for us to use our access to finance to increase generation capacity. Given the net metering program at that point, we would most likely still be living in our house when the benefits outweighed the costs. Like most rooftop solar customers, had the payback period been in decades, we would not have made the considerable effort.

But also of importance for us was that the generation would be through a renewable, drawing on Utah's ample sunshine. We are quite energy conscious, e.g. we do not have air conditioning, a choice that is getting harder to suffer as our summer temperatures increase. We also know the peak load times and attempt to time our own consumption so as to minimize our peak demand and to increase our system's contribution to production at that time. We are also enthusiastic about the Distributed Energy Resource opportunities that are growing rapidly, as described in the UCE testimony. It is unfortunate that RMP seems far behind the curve in encouraging the possibilities they represent.

I am a retired economist who worked in Latin America and taught at Notre Dame and the University of Utah. I am not an energy economist, so am not an expert in this field. I did peruse the testimony and found it quite interesting. I commend the Commission for its diligence in overseeing this process. At a time when we don't seem to be able to get valid national level information on the pandemic we are suffering, it is refreshing to see such a careful and responsible democratic process being undertaken.

That said, I am a bit bemused that the parameters of the debate and process prevent the parties from directly addressing what is at stake here. While it is couched as determining the rate RMP will reimburse Consumer Generation(CG), the process is simply to determine whether RMP will be allowed to completely kill further CG installations. Despite their protestations, this has been their goal from the start of this entire process, going back to their proposed \$4.65 surcharge in 2014 and continuing to today. They had a model in the temporary success of their sister company in Nevada. As the data from the Utah Solar Energy Association indicate, even at this point they have been quite successful in reducing Distributed Generation(DG) installations. They fell from 12,408 in 2017 to 3,540, in 2019 in response to changes in the NEM program. This was not because this is a "mature industry;" it is the result of the undertainties this process has occasioned.

Thus RMP's elaborate proposal for a new meter fee, a new installation charge, and a reimbursement rate that changes with the time of day of production is simply an elaborate smoke-screen couched in the narrowest parameters of the current process.

Cut to the chase—the reality is that there will be no new DG installations at the reimbursement rate that RMP proposes. Even with interest rates as low as they are and are likely to be, even with the cost of DG solar installations continuing to fall, no one except an exceedingly committed renewable resource champion would install a system. The payback period would be far longer than most of us would live and their own studies by Navigant show the centrality of payback period for the installation decision.

So what do I suggest the Commission do? First, it should reject RMP's proposal and call it the poison pill it is. It can also dismiss the relevance of the Division's and OCS's avoided cost calculations of the value of DG energy. That value is a nice theoretical construct, like the profit maximizing firms and utility maximizing consumers that have been the maintained hypotheses of mainstream economics. However, empirical studies of firm and consumer behavior, such as behavioral economics, showed their failures and

shortcomings. The same is true for the "avoided cost" construct used by RMP. Only at a theoretical level does DG substitute for some wholesale purchase of electricity; it generally substitutes for the company's own production and distribution. Thus the calculations by Vote Solar and Vivint are the relevant calculations. So if a reimbursement rate is set, based solely on energy production, the estimates of between 9.2 cents per kWh and 10.57 cents per kWh (or their updated values) should be used. And since this is the real value of DG generation, any issues of cost shifting to non-DG households would be irrelevant.

I have been appalled by the fires on the West Coast and was quite impressed by our mini-hurricane of early September. Thus I would like to see the externalities of health and environment brought into the calculus as well. The Commission should not fiddle while California-and soon Utah-burns. It is unfortunate the Pacific Corps is going to foist off its coal fleet on RMP and Utah. It would be ideal if RMP had to take into account their externalities, and had to really confront the increasingly uncompetitive nature of coal generation, as many other regulated utilities are doing. But this is probably too much to ask of the Commission at this point. In addition, at this time of what is likely to be structural unemployment, to continue to reduce jobs in the solar sector, Utah jobs in Utah companies, would be unfortunate and shortsighted.

All of this must be said. But a very simple solution to what appears to be some sort of Gordian knot should not be discounted. Recall that all of this began with RMP's effort to kill DG and their effort to end the growing popularity of the Net Metering system that was in operation until RMP moved against it. The simplest solution would be simply to return to the status quo ante and to reinstate the Net Metering program with guarantees that it would remain in effect for 20 years or more or until the agreed upon maximum residential generating capacity of 170 MW is reached. This would prevent RMP from killing DG and would not require deciding on the actual value of the electricity generated nor of the externalities that should be taken into account. It would also facilitate a process of creating a smart system that could facilitate the incorporation of Distributed Energy Resources. Maybe it is time to apply Occam's Razor to this issue and to stop RMP's effort to kill competition from CG. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ken Jameson



# Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

Rachel Smith (nycertis@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 3:23

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Like it or not the world is moving toward sustainable energy. We can either embrace this movement or get left in the dust.

As a resident of Utah, I am urging you to reject Rocky Mountain Power?s proposal to reduce the export credit rate of rooftop solar by up to 85%. The change in value for residential customers from 9.2?/kWh to 1.5?/kWh is not supported by sound science, as demonstrated by the vastly different valuations between the Rocky Mountain Power and Vote Solar studies. The rate change would result in drastic job losses for an entire industry, compounding the hardship of the current economic crisis in this state. Additionally, by allowing this change, the Public Service Commission would be condoning Rocky Mountain Power?s monopolization of sun power, and cutting off Utahns' right to energy choice.

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Sincerely,

Rachel Smith PO BOX 1193 Kamas, UT 84036 nycertis@gmail.com (801) 859-9985



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Norm Guice <normguice@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: normguice@gmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 3:34 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

We should encourage rooftop solar by paying a fair rate instead of discouraging it by paying pennies on the dollar. There should be no reason to determine a fair rate, simply subtract the rooftop generated Kwhrs from the home usage. A watt is a watt.

Sincerely, Norm Guice 545 S 800 E Salt Lake City, UT 84102-2912 normguice@gmail.com



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Josh Vaughan <a href="mailto:slight85@everyactioncustom.com">blindsight85@everyactioncustom.com</a> Reply-To: blindsight85@hotmail.com To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 3:41 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

I hope to continue to both use and promote solar for years to come. We need to have financial incentives That benefit Utahns to make utah the best state. Please consider maintaining or improving the compensation provided to customers. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Josh Vaughan 177 E 200 N Farmington, UT 84025-3502 blindsight85@hotmail.com



# Comment on Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

John Browne <jcbrowne729@msn.com> Reply-To: John Browne <jcbrowne729@msn.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov> Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 3:46 PM

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).

In 2016 I added 9 kW of solar panels to my roof and paid for the connection to RMP. I have benefited and so has RMP and its customers. What RMP pays me for my excess power is less than they charge per kWh to their customers. If solar customers, like me, had NOT invested in rooftop solar, RMP would have had to add additional infrastructure to meet our needs.

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If RMP prevails and is granted such a DRASTIC rate cut for solar customers, then I will seriously consider going off the grid with an investment in Tesla PowerWalls. It will cost me BUT I will be fine but RMP and its customers will lose. The current rate is a WIN-WIN for RMP and ALL its customers. DO THE RIGHT THING AND REJECT THE RMP PROPOSAL

Sincerely, John Browne 402 W Shinob Kai Way Ivins, UT 84738



### Comment on Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

John Holman <jholman85@gmail.com> Reply-To: John Holman <iholman85@gmail.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov> Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 3:51 PM

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Sincerely, John Holman 2285 South Lakeline Drive Salt Lake City, UT 84109



# Re: Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Thomas Wikstrom < twikstrom@everyactioncustom.com> Reply-To: twikstrom@comcast.net To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 4:47 PM

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Please stand up for solar power. I currently send 5 mWh back to the grid annually.

Sincerely, Thomas Wikstrom 896 Ogden, UT 84404 twikstrom@comcast.net



# Docket No. 17-035-61 Public Comment

1 message

Pamela Mcalpin (girl-sfmo@hotmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 4:52

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To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Why, when we are experiencing a warmer and dryer climate, would we not do everything within our power to encourage clean and renewable energy?

As a resident of Utah, I am urging you to reject Rocky Mountain Power?s proposal to reduce the export credit rate of rooftop solar by up to 85%. The change in value for residential customers from 9.2?/kWh to 1.5?/kWh is not supported by sound science, as demonstrated by the vastly different valuations between the Rocky Mountain Power and Vote Solar studies. The rate change would result in drastic job losses for an entire industry, compounding the hardship of the current economic crisis in this state. Additionally, by allowing this change, the Public Service Commission would be condoning Rocky Mountain Power?s monopolization of sun power, and cutting off Utahns' right to energy choice.

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Pamela Mcalpin 3527 Marigold Way Saint George, UT 84790 girl-sfmo@hotmail.com (480) 522-9673



# Public comment in Docket No. 17-035-61

1 message

Dave Hardy/Cheryl Olson <daveandcheryl2010@gmail.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Sep 25, 2020 at 4:59 PM

We need to be encouraging rather than discouraging citizens from becoming energy self-sufficient. We have solar panels that provide 100% of our electricity needs and others should be encouraged to do the same. These systems are expensive. My husband did the installation and we still have about 8 years before we break even and begin to reap the benefit of our installation. We should not all have to rely on huge solar or wind farms for our electrical needs. We realize we need to help to maintain the grid system, but please be fair. Warren Buffet does not need further wealth, but our citizens need clean air to breathe. Thank you.

Cheryl Olson 1254 Woodridge Circle Salt Lake City, Utah 84121