



PublicService Commission <psc@utah.gov>

Re: Rooftop Solar Export Credit Rates Ruling

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To: psc@utah.gov

Dear Public Service Commission:

Thank you for the opportunity to speak at the public hearing for rooftop solar export credit rates a few weeks ago.

I wanted to comment on your finding that it is not the job of the commission to regulate or consider environmental concerns or public health matters but that your focus is on reviewing the cost basis for the services our public utilities provide.

I find this both ironic and disheartening. The environmental and public health costs are costs imposed by burning fossil fuels to provide the service which Rocky Mountain Power provides. Rocky Mountain Power externalizes these costs - they are not reflected on their balance sheets. However, all of the residents of Utah pay for this - you, your families, the employees of Rocky Mountain Power, their families, and all of the residents of Utah. Just because there isn't a convenient way to account for these costs on the balance sheet of the provider does not change their definition. They are tangible costs which are currently borne by everyone. And as you suggested in your finding, your domain IS to consider the cost basis of the services they provide. So why did you ignore these externalized costs using the excuse that it is not your domain?

Your finding is highly disappointing, does not serve the people of Utah, and demands an explanation to all of the people of Utah. I look forward to your response.

Regards,
Curtis Judd