

Public Comment to the Utah Public Service Commission

Re: Docket No: 18-035-39

Expiring Excess Generation Credits under Schedule 35

Dear Commissioners Clark, White and LeVar:

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on the future use of expired excess solar credits. I have had solar panels on my roof since 2011 and expanded my system earlier this year to a capacity which will produce excess credits. I think, in light of the recent IPCC and National Climate Assessment reports it is imperative that we do all we can to convert from fossil fuels to clean, renewable energy.

I support the position of the Office of Community Services and Utah Clean Energy which favors transferring our excess credits to the Utah Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP).

I disagree with Rocky Mountain Power's position implying that expired rooftop solar credits should only be used to defray direct electrical energy costs, not other fuel costs. I support WAP efforts to help low-income Utahns with energy efficiency improvements that reduce their consumption of natural gas and save money at the same time.

Although the Salvation Army's Lend-A-Hand program is well-intended, I believe that WAP would provide low-income families more options and flexibility for their efforts to reduce fossil fuel emissions. I am comfortable allowing WAP administrators and staff who know best what their clients need.

Please consider this request that you order that the value of Schedule 135 expired excess generation credits be reallocated to the Utah Weatherization Assistance Program. And, please advise the utility that it will be asked to provide information on the results of the reassignment of expired credits' value when it files the next NEM annual report.

Thank you

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