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Fwd: Follow-Up on meeting

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Another angry citizen.

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Date: October 6, 2023 at 3:25:18 PM MDT **To:** ken kofoed <dockofoed@yahoo.com>

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BtW.

How in the hell do they "clean" our "dirty" power when it's all mixed with everyone's in the region? I laughed at them when they told me that. I spoke at the last Council Meeting, I've met with Hurricane Power and the City Attorney who is dumber than mud and with the Mayor who is clueless. There's a reason why they meet with each Solar customer separately. If they can divide us they can defeat us.

On Oct 6, 2023, at 2:50 PM, ken kofoed <dockofoed@yahoo.com> wrote:

Kevin.... I met with them a couple of weeks ago. I am aggravated that they add up all the solar panels ratings and don't take into account that we were the first residence to fight through the ef...ing HOA to install our systems. We had to lie the panels much more flat than ideal because of complaints that a small corner of a panel could be seen by Tad and another by Rose and Reed Russell (RIP that bastard). Mine is a large system, but a handicapped system and will get top charge monthly. Equally maddening is that they will accept my excess power (maybe 7-8 months of the year) and credit me at \$ 0.04 per KW. Any power we draw during the year will be billed to us on a graduated scale that starts at \$0.08 and goes up to \$0.11 or \$0.12 per KW if I recall correctly. Totally different than the Net Metering we've enjoyed (turning back the meter when exceeding our needs). We will pay them more than twice what they pay us. They justify it saying our residential power is "dirty" and costs them to clean it up to enter their system.... this is BS, I think. ken

On Friday, October 6, 2023 at 11:25:09 AM MDT, KEVIN HOUSE <khouse1961@verizon.net> wrote:

Thanks for meeting with us regarding our Solar contact with RMP, soon to be Hurricane Power. It's been nine days since we met.

I've drafted my letter/complaint to the Utah Public Services Commission. It is our stance that Hurricane City is not going to honor our current RMP contract and second, and maybe more troublesome for the City, we're going to challenge the City having a \$20 service fee for

smaller residential solar systems and a \$40 service fee for medium to large solar systems. (Currently we only pay RMP a \$10 a month service fee.)

The State is big on residential solar and has adopted a resolution to that effect. The maximum size solar system allowed by law in Utah is 25kw. You're not allowed to have a system that generates excessively more power than the home uses. It should be as close to even as possible. RMP analysis past power usage prior to approving the solar project.

Why is the City punishing Solar homeowners?? The \$20 a month you charge your NON-Solar customers, who by the way have numerous City services on their bills. We would ONLY have electric, should remain the same for ALL City customers, Solar, Non-Solar, small Solar systems or large solar system. The City acts like my system is a huge power plant.

The irony is...... The size of my system has no affect on the grid since it "matches" my usage. You DO NOT have a higher SERVICE FEE for homes that use more power than others. (Please don't confuse the two tiers of electric rates that ALL residential customers have. We're talking only about the monthly SERVICE FEE not the cost of power.

Strange that your City is anti residential solar. You should appreciate us. Unless the City wants to make a profit from each Solar home.

Our argument we are putting forth to the Utah Public Services Commission is that your two tier SERVICE FEES, one for smaller solar systems and one for medium to large systems is unfair a possibly illegal. There is no extra cost to the City for having a larger solar system if the solar system was properly sized as required.

I've asked for but, have not received, the cost basis' analysis on how the City came up with why a larger solar system should have to pay more. It makes no sense unless it's just a way for the City to make money off of homes using less power.

If the UPSC agrees with me the City would have to go to a single service fee for ALL customers. Solar or Not.

Billing cost for the 20 Solar homes in the two divisions the City is taking over the power for will only have one utility in the bill. Not five like the homes in the City.

We are NOT part of your City. YOUR City Council has no authority over us. We cannot vote in your City. We do not receive legal notices regarding what's going on in the City to be involved in the process. Taxation without representation.

Hurricane Power is a separate entity. A company ran by the City. I non-profit company. We don't live in your City. You mentioned that you will not have two different service fees for us, who don't live in your city and have current contracts with RMP. Our current Service Fee is only \$10. Why should we pay more??

We have a binding contract with RMP. Hurricane City took over RMP customers by buying all the assets for \$208,000 but you claim you didn't buy the contracts. This is incorrect. Even your Asset Purchase Agreement between Rocky Mountain Power, section 4.3 and 5.3 clearly states that RMP is transferring all assets as well as CONTRACTS, etc. to the City of Hurricane and the City of Hurricane accepts those assets and Contracts, etc.

The City bought RMP's contracts and MUST honor them.

Thus can simply be resolved by honoring the \$10 Service Fee as we currently have on our, and 19 others, ongoing contracts with RMP until annexation takes place.

I haven't even been given the rate schedule for the power we us and the power we send back to the grid.

Yet, We're being forced, against our will, to sign up with Hurricane Power by the 13th. Or risk having our power turned off. I have medical life supporting equipment at my home.

Once I send our letter to the UPSC, it will be in their hands.

Please send to this email:

- 1) The cost basis analyses that determined why there is a two different SERVICE FEES based on solar system size. My small system is considered a large system and the fee is \$40
- 2) The rate schedule for Solar Customers for power used and for power going back to the grid. There are several methods to do this. I have a right to know that BEFORE signing anything with your City.
- 3) An update on the status of what was discussed at our meeting nine days ago.

Thanks, Kevin House

Please no phone calls. Everything needs to be in writing. I think it is ridiculous that this matter is not simply resolved.