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ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISS

UTILITY COMPLAINT FORM

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Investigator: Al Amezcua

Phone: [REDACTED]

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Priority: Respond Within Five Days

Opinion No. 2006 - 50572 Date: 3/24/2006

Complaint Description: 08A Rate Case Items - Opposed

First: Last:

Complaint By: Douglas Chambers

Account Name: Douglas Chambers Home: (000) 000-0000

Street: n/a Work: (000) 000-0000

City: n/a CBR: [REDACTED]

State: AZ Zip: 00000 is: E-Mail

Utility Company: Arizona Public Service Company

Division: Electric

Contact Name: For assignment Contact Phone: (602) 000-0000

Nature of Complaint:

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03/24/06 RECEIVED E-MAIL FROM CUSTOMER:

From: Douglas Chambers [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2006 12:53 PM
To: Utilities Div - Mailbox
Subject: APS and net metering

Madam/Sir:

PLEASE CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

I hope that when you allow APS to increase their rates this year you will also require them to institute true 'net metering' for private home PV systems. True 'net metering' is when the total amount of energy that one puts back into the grid is subtracted from the total amount of energy that one uses from the grid. For example, I use a total of 1200 kWh in a month, but generate a total of 800 kWh from my PV system on my roof; therefore I am charged for only 400 kWh by APS.

There are lots of people like me that would put up the money to do that. BUT, I am unwilling to put up an expensive PV system and be forced to pay for all the electricity that I use from APS at retail rates and forced to sell all my energy at wholesale rates to APS so they can then resell my energy as 'green' energy.

If you want to give a 'kick start' to a real growth industry here in Arizona and help the utility companies achieve their required goals for renewable energy, have true net metering. Needless to say, APS will have all sorts of reasons why this is bad, wrong, evil, and generally against all civilized mankind. However other companies can do it for the good of our air and APS can also.

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Thank you, Douglas Chambers
End of Complaint

Utilities' Response:

Investigator's Comments and Disposition:

03/29/03 I e-mailed Mr. Chambers the following:

Good morning Mr. Chambers,

This is to acknowledge your e-mail regarding Arizona Public Service Company and their request to increase rates. The Arizona Corporation Commission appreciates the time that you have taken to express your comments in this matter. Your comments have been noted and will become part of the record.

3/29/06 Additional information that was provided to Mr. Chambers via e-mail.

Per Ray Williamson (Engineer)

AI: APS has a "net billing" tariff right now. We have wording in the proposed Renewable Energy Standard and Tariff Rules (in section R14-2-1811) that requires the Commission Staff to hold a series of workshops to address net metering issues. When appropriate rules or standards are adopted, the utilities will be required to file conforming tariffs or standards.

As a practical matter, I wouldn't expect APS to have a true net metering tariff until 2007.

End of Comments

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