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Re: Docket Numbers E-01345A-08-0172 and ~~E-000000-08-0314~~

Dear Commissioners:

I am writing to you in support of increased energy efficiency requirements as part of the APS rate case and as part of the Commission workshops on energy efficiency. We should maximize efficiency measures and require the utilities to offer programs to assist customers to increase their energy efficiency.

I realize that energy efficiency programs require some up front funding that can result in slightly higher electricity rates. I also know that investing in efficiency measures will help to lower overall electric bills. I am willing to pay somewhat higher rates to fund programs that will ultimately help me lower my energy use and electric bills.

As part of the APS rate case and the Commission's workshops, I encourage you to require that APS invest in programs to provide rebates and technical assistance to electric utility customers who purchase energy efficient lighting, air conditioners, and other equipment, or invest in measures in their home, office or other buildings that result in reductions in energy use. As an APS customer, these are programs that will benefit me by helping to lower my electric bills.

I also support measures to provide technical assistance and financial incentives for businesses and schools that increase their energy efficiency, as well as design assistance and incentives for builders who construct efficient homes and buildings.

Thank you for considering my comments as you deliberate over increasing energy efficiency in Arizona.

Sincerely,

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RE: Docket numbers E-01345A-08-0172 and ~~E-000001-08-0317~~

Dear Commissioners,

We have been customers of Arizona Public Service Company for many years, but I write you as a homeowner who wants to do more to secure our future with clean power and reliable, affordable energy.

To us that has meant investing in energy efficiency and solar panels at our house. Over the last few years we've succeeded in cutting our utility bills in half. You can imagine how much financial stress that relieves when we see the cost of everything going up these days and with so much uncertainty in the economy.

My wife and I are looking ahead towards the time when we will have less income and we're trying to plan for sustaining ourselves then. One major way we're trying to cope with the future is to reduce our living expenses, and that's where energy efficiency and renewable energy systems for our house really make sense. For money up front we can rely on reduced energy bills and a stable supply of electricity in the future.

I strongly encourage the ACC to demand energy efficiency and renewable energy programs from our utilities, including APS, which want to raise rates so that there is some future energy cost savings and we contribute towards solving the global warming pollution problem.

I am willing to pay higher rates now for such benefits later on.

Sincerely,



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FROM
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Re: Docket Numbers E-01345A-08-0172 and ~~E-000001-08-0314~~

Dear Commissioners:

I am writing to you in support of increased energy efficiency requirements as part of the APS rate case and as part of the Commission workshops on energy efficiency. Energy efficiency is the cleanest and cheapest energy source we have. We should maximize efficiency measures and require the utilities to offer programs to assist customers to increase their energy efficiency.

I realize that energy efficiency programs require some up front funding that can result in slightly higher electricity rates. I also know that investing in efficiency measures will help to lower overall electric bills – weatherization, new energy efficient lighting and appliances, and mitigating the heat island effect can all reduce energy consumption. I am willing to pay higher rates to fund programs that will help me to lower my energy use and my electric bills.

As part of the APS rate case and the Commission's workshops, I encourage you to require that APS invest in programs to provide rebates and technical assistance to electric utility customers who purchase energy efficient lighting, air conditioners, and other equipment, or invest in measures in their home, office or other buildings that result in reductions in energy use. I also would like to see programs to help reduce the urban heat island effect through shading, cool roofs, and cool pavements. As an APS customer, these are programs that will benefit me by helping to lower my electric bills.

I also support measures to provide technical assistance and financial incentives for businesses and schools that increase their energy efficiency, as well as design assistance and incentives for builders who construct efficient homes and buildings. Any efficiency program should include grants for weatherizing low-income housing – rental and owner-occupied.

Thank you for considering my comments as you deliberate over increasing energy efficiency in Arizona.

Sincerely,

Rachel Sulkes
Executive Director, Central Arizonans for a Sustainable Economy