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 3 **FROM:** Robert Hoskins, Arizona Solar Power Society  
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 9 **REGARDING:** APS \$3 Billion Electricity Rate Reduction

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11 Dear Chairman Pierce and Commissioners:  
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13 On January 29, 2009, APS submitted a 428-page research study that details how APS could  
14 save approximately \$3 billion dollars on fuel costs, on-peak purchased power, line loss  
15 associated with electricity transmission, capital expenses of building new power plants and  
16 other power generation operating expenses with heavy installations of distributed energy solar  
17 power arrays.

18 Please read this entire filing: <http://images.edocket.azcc.gov/docketpdf/0000093214.pdf>. This  
19 link provides access to a detailed research study compiled by R.W. Beck that was sponsored by  
20 APS and included input from every major Arizona utility company.

21 Armed with this knowledge and a detailed plan on how APS could save billions of dollars that  
22 could be passed onto every ratepayer, the Arizona Corporation Commission granted APS a rate  
23 increase in 2009. Based on R.W. Beck report's facts, do not grant another rate increase in 2011.

24 Instead pass regulations that require APS to invest more in distributed energy solar power  
25 arrays to avoid higher costs and facilitate lower electricity prices for ALL APS ratepayers.

26 We would like to remind every Commissioner that per the Arizona Constitution it is your job to  
27 implement regulations to require the utility companies to provide electricity prices that are fair  
28 and justified as well as provide a safe environment in which to live for every citizen in Arizona.

29 If the Arizona Corporation Commission has known for more than two years how to reduce  
30 electricity prices for every APS ratepayer with heavy installations of solar, why are you not  
31 implementing public policies that require every utility company in Arizona to deploy  
32 significantly more distributed energy solar power arrays on every rooftop in Arizona?

33 Instead of investing more money to burn coal and gas, which is burned once, pollutes the air we  
34 breathe, and causes external medical expenses for ratepayers, why is the Commission not  
35 requiring the utility companies to invest more in distributed energy solar power arrays that  
36 provide 25 years of free clean, electricity? Ratepayers could use a \$3 billion rate reduction.

37 Respectfully submitted on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of August 2011.

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