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The Honorable Bob Stump, Chairman
Arizona Corporation Commission

Dear Commissioner Stump

I am writing to ask that the ACC revisit its decision to drastically cut its incentives for commercial and residential solar systems. We installed solar panels at our house in February 2012. We leased our system and were able to do so because of the rebates provided by APS, REC Solar and others. We have saved a modest amount of money and are proud of the fact that we are doing our little bit to save the environment. Our saving will increase in future years as APS increases its rates. Our system reduced coal usage by over 3,500 pounds in the first year. We have also referred 10 other homeowners to REC. They have installed systems and I dare say that none of these people would have done so without incentives.

The solar industry is a natural for our state but it needs incentives until its costs are reduced and they can make a profit. This is indeed what has been happening. While we are a residential customer the real job growth will come from both residential and commercial installations. To terminate incentives with no notice and public hearing is unreasonable and will cost Arizona thousands of high paying jobs in an industry in which our state should be a nationwide leader.

This decision make no economic sense and I urge you to reconsider and obtain input from businesses that will be impacted by the Commissions decision.

Sincerely

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