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Dear Chairman Stump & Commissioners,

I am a TEP customer who has invested in solar blocks. I am very concerned about the future of our state in terms of how we produce electricity for a variety of reasons.

People come to Arizona (or at least used to) for the beautiful clear skies, and natural wonders. I cannot believe anyone in an important and vital decision making capacity would put these in peril by not supporting energy efficiency standards instead in a very conservative and frugal manner would save ratepayers from increases and at the same time conserve our beautiful resources + our energy resources.

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The ACC must go forward with implementing the energy efficiency standards. That the integrated resource plan demonstrated will save energy costs for customers. These measures also have been shown to help funds go back into the LOCAL economy rather than send $ out of state.

One example in my neighborhood Dunbar (I am a neighbor of TEP!) is the Shade tree program which not only shades houses but also sidewalks for pedestrians. (over →)

We must think in new ways, and get away from the "building large new power plants" model.

I have worked very hard in my own home on energy saving devices. I want to support education for others to do the same. Increasing the service rate for all and not rewarding those who work towards conservation is a regressive policy, in my opinion.

We need to take a long term look at what is best and stay away from short term solutions. If we save building a new plant today we may be able to build better technology tomorrow.

Sincerely,

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