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Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:58 PM
To: 'Pel Abbott'
Subject: RE: Support my job and thousands of others

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July 16, 2013

RE: Net metering docket E-01345A-12~~0~~-0290, E-01345A-10-0394, E-01933A-12-0296, E-04204A-12-0297

Dear Mr. Abbott:

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Thank you again for sharing your comments with my office.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Burns
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From: Pel Abbott [<mailto:pel@svssolutions.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2013 8:36 AM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Support my job and thousands of others

SUPPORT NET METERING

The U.S. solar energy industry employs 119,016 Americans and solar employment grew 13.2 percent in 2012, making it one of the fastest growing industries in the country. **Arizona ranks second in the nation for number of solar jobs.**

The SEIA (Solar Energy Industry Association) just published a new study showing that the net benefit to all APS

customers (not just solar customers) for **rooftop/grid-tied (also called distributed) solar is a NET BENEFIT valued at \$34 million.**

Republicans = Economic Freedom and Small Government

NOT big utility monopolies.

We're not asking for incentives or handouts. Just fair –**NET METERING** for electricity we produce during PEAK hours – which APS charges anywhere from 25 cents to 49 cents for per kilowatt hour.

Pel Abbott

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- In the last few years, world oil prices have more than tripled and coal prices have more than doubled.

Sunshine is still free. ☀️



Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:58 PM
To: 'eye3d3@yahoo.com'
Subject: RE: Protect Net Metering in Arizona

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Dear Mr. Ott:

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Robert L. Burns
Commissioner

-----Original Message-----

From: Russell Ott [<mailto:eye3d3@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Thursday, June 20, 2013 12:33 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Protect Net Metering in Arizona

Dear Commissioner:

I am an Arizona utility customer and owner of a solar-electric system, and I am writing to urge you to protect net metering.

Net metering is the policy that makes sure solar customers get fair credit for the valuable clean power they deliver to the grid for others to use. Utilities are using fuzzy math to make the case that Arizona should change its successful net metering policy. I am highly concerned that the utilities are threatening to stop properly compensating net metered customers for their valuable energy investment.

When Arizona homes and businesses go solar, all utility customers benefit. In fact, a recent study found that because of net metering, APS customers alone will receive \$34 million in grid benefits each year starting in 2015. These benefits include saving on expensive conventional power generation and grid infrastructure as well as reducing electricity lost during long-distance transportation over power lines. Rooftop solar power also delivers tremendous economic, energy independence and public health benefits to our state.

If net-metering is removed, owners of solar-electric systems that are not fairly compensated will likely look at alternatives such as living off the utility grid, which would cause higher costs to those on the grid.

I urge you to be a solar energy champion by protecting net metering.

Russell Ott

Phoenix, AZ 85044

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:57 PM
To: 'bill'
Subject: RE: Protect Net Metering and Jobs

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Dear Mr. Hranek:

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Sincerely,

Robert L. Burns
Commissioner

From: bill [mailto:happynotes1@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, June 29, 2013 9:47 AM
To: RBurns-Web
Cc: contact@solarcity.com
Subject: Protect Net Metering and Jobs

Dear Corporation Commissioners,
Here is my contribution to this argument,

I am an Arizona voter and utility customer and I am writing to urge you to protect net-metering.

Net metering ensures that solar customers like me receive fair credit for the valuable clean power we

deliver to the grid for others to use during the day. It is one of the most important policy tools the Commission has for empowering homes, businesses, schools and public agencies to go solar, and to drive the growth of a successful Arizona industry.

Utilities in the state want Arizona to change its successful net metering program and I am highly concerned that this could result in not properly compensating customers for their valuable energy investments.

Home and business owners spend their own money to install systems that provide many benefits to the grid and other ratepayers. Net-metering also allows utility customers to make their own choices about where they get their electricity, what type of electricity they want and how much they're willing to pay for it.

I urge you to protect net metering.

Dear sir

In all fairness I was given false info from aps when we had our solar installed.. my wife will attest to this as well. It was a kind of say what they think you want to hear so you will go away attitude. We paid over \$15k for a system and almost immediately after install they raised my bill. Even on months when we don't use electricity (due to net metering) we still pay a litany of charges and our bill is never \$0.. so if I provide electricity for them to sell my neighbor for more than they give me to produce it for them, and I pay monthly charges that are directly related to the things they claim to be losing money on, how is it possible they aren't making money. Besides this was supposed to be about helping the environment as well as doing something to ensure energy costs would stay low for my family. One of the big selling points of this whole debacle was about keeping bills low. There are things that I would be happy to share with you and I wish to remind that I voted for the present set of commissioners because I hoped they would keep conservative values and ideas afloat. I hope I won't find my votes wasted, that would be a shame in the next election cycle.

i am specifically referring to net metering, energy unit for energy unit trade, the extremely low amount paid for unused credits at years end, the campaign to sell solar to unsuspecting customers, especially those of us who prepaid large amounts only to find that

a) on large usage months the solar still does not cover all costs

b) they want to raise rates so that even if it isn't retroactive it will probably affect my resale (and that was a huge selling point when we purchased)

c) that conversations with aps and solar city never mentioned changing rates due to unfair amounts currently charged, and in fact were adamant about finding ways to save us more money by changing the rate we use after a year long evaluation.

d) lastly for now, a way to make people divided by making solar customers seem like we are reaching into the pockets of those who don't have solar. that was never mentioned and to the contrary it was pointed out how much we were helping our neighbors by providing cheap energy and helping the environment,

PS

check out how they pay \$.06 a kilowatt hour (or less) for what they charge the rest of the general public around \$.20 a kilowatt hr when they buy back credits in December, and that's only if you have credits.

We were told specifically by aps that our credits would roll over from December to Jan. (and they don't) and that they would be happy to help us find the rate that would save the most money (hearing about this debate one

can see the hypocrisy behind the scenes). One last comment for tonight the amount they do pay is ridiculously low compared to what they charge when at years end they consumer is forced to take payment. We have broken all aspects down and to benefit we must be very frugal in our energy usage.

Keep solar alive aps is still churning profits, and I believe in my humble opinion that all new construction should have mandatory solar to stave off outages and high energy prices.

As elected officials, do what is right and stand with those who you work for.

Bill hranek

..keep in mind there are those of us who were given a lot of promises and laid out a great deal of money to do this and it is very inappropriate for them to change this now, and the commission owes it to the constituents to hold aps to the agreement that it made with a large number of its customers. We individuals were lead to believe that all of this was ironed out prior to the idea of putting solar on the rooftop, and creating electricity for the benefit of GREATLY lowering bills. I spoke to aps countless times and as i referenced in my first email nothing was said, no one tried to detour me or made any comments to the idea of CHANGING the agreement. In fact on a few fronts they outright lied to me about the benefit of having credits.

I would like to be present for the hearing and if possible speak out about this.
this should not be closed to public, it is all about us.

something else to consider is the investment for resale. If the agreement is only retroactive for aps customers up to a certain date then when a person sells the home with solar chances are they wont allow the agreement to as well and one of the biggest reasons i personally had for doing this was to attract buyers when i decide to sell. It is a large home and would be a great incentive to someone who is afraid of large utility bills.

again the plot thickens, it isn't cut and dry for those of us who took this step.
please be sure and have the other commissioners hear my thoughts.

thank you

i appreciate your timely responses.

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:56 PM
To: 'Carol Tepper'
Subject: RE: Protect Solar Rights in Arizona

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Dear Ms. Tepper:

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Thank you again for sharing your comments with my office.

Sincerely,

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Robert L. Burns
Commissioner

-----Original Message-----

From: Sierra Club [<mailto:information@sierraclub.org>] On Behalf Of Carol Tepper
Sent: Thursday, June 27, 2013 12:20 AM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Protect Solar Rights in Arizona

Jun 27, 2013

Commissioner Bob Burns

1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Burns,

I am writing to urge you to protect solar rights in Arizona.

With more than 300 days of sunshine each year, Arizona should be a leader in solar energy. An important component of this solar energy is distributed generation -- systems installed on consumers' homes and businesses. Distributed generation not only assists consumers by powering their energy needs with clean, renewable energy, but any excess energy can also be sent back into the grid, reducing the need for the utility company to produce extra energy while benefiting other customers.

Net metering is one of the most important issues with regards to distributed generation. Net metering ensures that solar customers get fair credit for any energy that is sent back into the grid from their systems. It would not be fair, and it doesn't make sense, not to pay these generators the fair market value for the energy they generate.

A recent study found that because of net metering, APS customers alone will receive \$34 million in grid benefits each year, starting in 2015.

These benefits range from delaying the need for additional grid infrastructure and power plants, which saves a substantial amount of money, as well as reducing pollution and the associated impacts on public health and the environment.

Solar is a win-win for Arizona, and net metering is an important part of that. Please stand up for Arizona's solar rights by protecting and promoting net metering.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

Ms. Carol Tepper
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Tucson, AZ 85745-2652
(520) 622-8131

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:56 PM
To: 'Sam Margolin'
Subject: RE: Protect Net Metering

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Dear Mr. Margolin:

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Commissioner

From: Sam Margolin [<mailto:samm5460@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, June 24, 2013 2:02 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Protect Net Metering

Dear Corporation Commissioner,

I am an APS customer. I am writing to urge you to protect net metering.

Net metering makes sense. If I have to buy electricity from APS at a certain rate, APS should be willing to pay me that same rate when my solar panels provide electricity to the grid. After all, APS just turns around and sells the power I produce to my neighbors.

APS is trying to make the case that Arizona should change its successful net metering program. If that happens, power bills for solar customers would go up. How often is APS allowed to raise rates?
I am concerned that changing net metering would stop my friends and neighbors from going solar. That would be bad for Arizona. We've got so much sunshine; we'd be fools not to harness it.

Sincerely,
Sam

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:55 PM
To: 'William.Wheelis@aps.com'
Subject: RE: Letter regarding Net Metering

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Dear Mr. Wheelis:

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From: William.Wheelis@aps.com [<mailto:William.Wheelis@aps.com>]
Sent: Thursday, June 20, 2013 2:23 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Letter regarding Net Metering

Mr. Burns, I would like to comment on your letter concerning net metering. It is my opinion that the benefit to APS for those that have solar panels out way the minimal amount of revenue lost. There are separated charges on the APS bill for line fees, meter reading fees, etc. that everyone pays (but no one reads the meters). The benefit to APS is found in their need to maintain a spinning reserve. During the peak season, hot July days, solar provider are not using as much power, which allow more power for the grid and reduces the need for spinning reserve, which saves APS money. Solar power providers have an additional power meter that measures the amount of power produced by the solar array. The

billing method is more complicated than spinning the meter backwards. The power that goes back is paid at a reduced rate. APS makes money on excess power produced, and the power is normally sold next door. The government wants all its citizens to be "Green" which requires a large investment, with no guarantee. Solar panel should last 20 to 30 years, but there is no history to support that assumption. Once you purchase a solar system you can't give it back and have your money returned. APS should have considered the impact before they put solar power on sale to the public (incentives). APS wants to change an existing contract or create a retroactive tax, and I am not sure that is legal. If APS were to change its solar policy and identify the real cost to those requesting a solar unit (net metering), then there would be no issue. One can agree to the terms and buy, or not. Those that already have a solar unit cannot opt out. Change the policy for new installations, but don't charge existing solar provider additional fees.

I request you verify all the facts and determine the exact amount APS pays for solar power (KW) vs. what the solar owner pay for power (KW), how much solar power is produce in their billing area, and what would be the cost to APS if they had to provide spinning reserve to make up that amount of the solar KWs produced.

Utility always want to make more money, and it is your job to ensure their requests are equitable to the rate payers.

Thank you for your time,

William Wheelis

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Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:55 PM
To: 'Angie Privitt'
Subject: RE: Please Protect Net-Metering

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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Privitt:

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Sincerely,

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Robert L. Burns
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From: Angie Privitt [<mailto:privitt@me.com>]
Sent: Monday, June 24, 2013 12:41 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Cc: Lon Privitt
Subject: Fwd: Please Protect Net-Metering

Begin forwarded message:

From: Angie Privitt <privitt@me.com>
Subject: Please Protect Net-Metering
Date: June 24, 2013 12:40:31 PM MST
To: BitterSmith-web@azcc.gov
Cc: Lon Privitt <lonp@cox.net>

Dear Corporation Commissioner,

We are Arizona voters and utility customers and we are writing to urge you to protect net-metering.

Net metering ensures that solar customers like us receive fair credit for the valuable clean power we deliver to the grid for others to use during the day. It is one of the most important policy tools the Commission has for empowering homes, businesses, schools and public agencies to go solar, and to drive the growth of a successful Arizona industry.

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I urge you to protect net metering.

Thank You,
Alonzo and Angela Privitt
4404 W. Kastler Lane
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Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:54 PM
To: 'Joseph Hill'
Subject: RE: Protect Solar Rights in Arizona - Our Future!

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From: Sierra Club [<mailto:information@sierraclub.org>] On Behalf Of Joseph Hill
Sent: Monday, June 24, 2013 12:13 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Protect Solar Rights in Arizona - Our Future!

Jun 24, 2013

Commissioner Bob Burns

1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Burns,

I am writing to urge you to protect solar rights in Arizona.

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Solar is a win-win for Arizona, and net metering is an important part of that. Please stand up for Arizona's solar rights by protecting and promoting net metering.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

Mr. Joseph Hill
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Flagstaff, AZ 86001-0493
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Subject: RE: Net Metering

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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Loman:

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From: RANDY AND SALLIE LOMAN [<mailto:ransal1@msn.com>]
Sent: Monday, June 24, 2013 12:27 AM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Net Metering

Dear Commissioner Burn,

Please find enclosed our letter of concern with APS' intent to change the Net Metering rate to residential solar producers.

Thank you for your time.

Randy and Sallie Loman

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:53 PM
To: 'Michael House'
Subject: RE: Protect Solar Rights in Arizona

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Commissioner

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From: Sierra Club [<mailto:information@sierraclub.org>] On Behalf Of Michael House
Sent: Friday, July 05, 2013 8:45 AM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Protect Solar Rights in Arizona

Jul 5, 2013

Commissioner Bob Burns

1200 W. Washington - 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Burns,

I am writing to urge you to protect solar rights in Arizona.

With more than 300 days of sunshine each year, Arizona should be a leader in solar energy. An important component of this solar energy is distributed generation -- systems installed on consumers' homes and businesses. Distributed generation not only assists consumers by powering their energy needs with clean, renewable energy, but any excess energy can also be sent back into the grid, reducing the need for the utility company to produce extra energy while benefiting other customers.

Net metering is one of the most important issues with regards to distributed generation. Net metering ensures that solar customers get fair credit for any energy that is sent back into the grid from their systems. It would not be fair, and it doesn't make sense, not to pay these generators the fair market value for the energy they generate.

A recent study found that because of net metering, APS customers alone will receive \$34 million in grid benefits each year, starting in 2015.

These benefits range from delaying the need for additional grid infrastructure and power plants, which saves a substantial amount of money, as well as reducing pollution and the associated impacts on public health and the environment.

Solar is a win-win for Arizona, and net metering is an important part of that. Please stand up for Arizona's solar rights by protecting and promoting net metering.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

Mr. Michael House
7810 N 14th Pl
Phoenix, AZ 85020-4309

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:53 PM
To: 'Linda Sanborn'
Subject: RE: renewable energy - net metering

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July 16, 2013

RE: Net metering docket E-01345A-120-0290, E-01345A-10-0394, E-01933A-12-0296, E-04204A-12-0297

Dear Ms. Sanborn:

Thank you for your comments concerning net metering. I appreciate you taking the time to share your views on this important topic. APS filed its proposal last week, and the issue will go through the hearing process this fall. At that time, the parties may share their comments regarding APS's proposal on the record. You may review all the filings as well as the hearing schedule once it is set by checking the Commission's eDocket website for the above-referenced docket numbers at: <http://edocket.azcc.gov/edocket/>.

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From: Linda Sanborn [mailto:lsanborn0812@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 10, 2013 9:44 PM
To: RBurns-Web; Burns-Web
Subject: renewable energy - net metering

Dear Corporation Commissioner,

I am an Arizona voter, utility customer and new solar leasing customer. I am writing to urge you to protect net-metering.

I researched solar leasing for my residence. Other than the cache of becoming a producer of a renewable energy resource, the one incentive for installing a solar system is that I would receive fair credit for the clean power I delivered to the grid for others to use during the day. Without this fair credit -due to my conservation of the excess of what I produced during the cool months, to be paid back when the weather turns so hot that my air

cooling needs overtake my production- the expense for purchasing the solar lease would have been unwarranted. My solar research and usage calculation did not offer me a tremendous payback. The calculation showed only that one citizen could cover her own cost annually and add a little something back. I was still willing to pay for the continued connection to the Utility to guarantee stable power for my home. (Stability of the power source is the compelling argument for ongoing nuclear power production.)

I retired after living in Germany for a decade. In Germany, Italy, France and Netherlands I observed the widespread acceptance and installation of solar panels on all manner of family homes, farm fields, schools, small and big business locations. These European governments supported the efforts of its citizens and local governments to add alternative energy production. My interest in integrating solar panels was spurred by what I saw in Europe. (My European friends assumed Arizona was a big producer of solar energy.) If Europe supported solar production, I thought surely America and especially Arizona were doing the same.

To the contrary it seems Arizona citizens' interest in alternative energy is low compared to Europe. I was surprised when my neighbors told me they are not interested in adding solar energy because they don't expect to see an improvement to their current billing. I now understand what they were talking about. By removing net-metering the Utilities' remove an obvious incentive for individual customers (home owners) to invest in solar. Removing net-metering discourages already-reluctant residential customers from joining the target pool of solar energy contributors. Our US military has a way of phrasing it: the willingness to "own the problem" and own the solution. American citizens find it difficult to participate -to "own the problem"- if we do not see the economic advantage of "owning the solution".

Utilities (APS) want Arizona to change its successful net metering program. Their rationale most likely argues in support of their financial statements; however, asking to end net-metering is short-sighted on the part of our Utilities.

American home and business owners spend their own money to install systems that provide many benefits to the grid and other ratepayers. I am concerned that by not properly compensating customers for their energy investment in alternative resource, the willingness to participate in developing alternative energy resources will continue to remain something that only the rich can afford.

The reluctance of middle class Americans (my neighbors and family) toward alternative energy stem from the way the Utilities monopolize our energy. By eliminating net-metering utility companies (APS) cease to be partners with its customers in encouraging energy conservation. One might even conjecture that loss of the net-metering credit legalizes theft of uncompensated energy - with the solar citizen as victim.

Utilities may claim they can find other logistical ways to provide net-metering-like compensation but the Utilities have no incentive to investigate and implement them if they are let off the hook entirely regarding providing net-metering compensation. Net-metering is an incentive that can reward energy users for conservative energy consumption. When was the last time that conserving a resource was seen as an option (incentive) to American citizens?

Europe went through the same Great Recession the USA just went through yet their solar energy resources have flourished in comparison to what has been implemented by American citizens. What is the difference?

Governments in Europe have enacted policies that benefit their (frugal) citizens who choose to implement solar (and other) renewable energy production.

Net metering is one of the most important policy tools the Commission has for empowering homes to go solar and become part of a successful sustainable Arizona industry.

We have an opportunity to show the world that our state (Arizona) is ecologically progressive, and socially responsive while being fiscally attentive. You, the Corporation Commission, have an opportunity to make a long-term determination that will promote acceptance of alternative-solar energy by citizens who could not normally participate. I urge you to protect net metering.

Linda Sanborn

16291 W. Manzanita Dr.

Surprise, AZ 85374

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:52 PM
To: 'Arnold Eisele'
Subject: RE: APS metering change

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Dear Mr. Eisele:

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Thank you again for sharing your comments with my office.

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From: Arnold Eisele [<mailto:ajeisele@cox.net>]
Sent: Wednesday, July 10, 2013 5:10 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: APS metering change

Please do not allow APS to change the way they meter my solar panels. I purchased them with the understanding that any excess power would be bought back by APS. By supplying solar power, we who have them are helping APS keep up with customer usage without having to build more generating capacity. I am retired from a midwest electric utility and know how expensive new generation is to build. We have helped APS and now they want to penalize us for doing so. Please do not allow this to happen.

Thank you,
Arnold Eisele
Sun City West, Az

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:52 PM
To: 'Diane Odonnell'
Subject: RE: Stop Solar Tax

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Dear Mr. and Mrs. O'Donnell:

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From: Diane Odonnell [<mailto:dodonnell13@cox.net>]
Sent: Wednesday, July 10, 2013 3:51 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Stop Solar Tax

Changing net metering and taxing solar clients is unfair and needs to be stopped!

Patrick and Diane O'Donnell

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:51 PM
To: 'Jim Mapstead'
Subject: RE: Net Metering

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Dear Mr. Mapstead:

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Thank you again for sharing your comments with my office.

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From: Jim Mapstead [<mailto:jim@accuratesigns.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, July 10, 2013 2:51 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Net Metering

Dear Commissioner Burns,

I'm writing to you today to provide you with a different perspective in support of Arizona's net metering policy for solar. My correspondence with you could be said that it's on behalf of all the ancillary businesses in the state of Arizona, like mine, who are engaged with solar panel installers. While currently revenues in the amount of \$16.2B (and rising) and the 9,800 jobs (and rising) that are currently employed by the solar

industry, we cannot forget all the other businesses in the state that provide support to this rapidly growing industry who could be affected by your decision regarding net metering.

As an example, in 2008 when the automobile industry was on the verge of bankruptcy, there were 1.6 million employed by the auto manufacturers. But all auto related industries and after market businesses employed 3.1 million employees!

I own a sign company that fabricates plastic and aluminum engraved tags that are required on all commercial and residential solar installations. And, primarily because of a strong association with installers around the nation, I purchased a building in December of last year in order to expand, purchased nearly \$50,000 in equipment, and hired additional employees, and by the fourth quarter of this year I hope to add on a second shift to our operations. In addition, we must consider all the other businesses that support the solar industry. A partial list of some businesses that will be impacted by a negative net metering decision will be steel fabricators that make the panel supports, all the electricians that electrical companies have been required to hire, electric wholesalers who sell the wiring, panel boxes, inverter boxes and all the other equipment that are required by installers, safety equipment, property managers that lease space to all the new installers in the state, right down to all the nuts and bolts required on an installation.

I would like to think there is a compromise solution available to you. One that won't adversely impact the future of solar installations in Arizona and the corresponding jobs and revenues on one hand, and one the electric utilities can live with. But please remember that it's Arizona homeowners and small businesses that are making substantial investments in going solar. Their choice, opportunity to save on their utility bill and decision to help the environment I know will be foremost in your deliberative process.

In closing, I do appreciate your time in reading this email. I don't envy your time and efforts necessary in weighing the factual arguments in this matter, but I do appreciate your willingness to hear from small business owners like myself. If you have any questions for me, please contact me at my office or by email. My contact information is listed below my signature.

Best Regards,

Jim Mapstead
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Phoenix, AZ 85020-2816
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jim@accuratesigns.com



Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:51 PM
To: 'Jewell'
Subject: RE: APS Solar Tax

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RE: Net metering docket E-01345A-120-0290, E-01345A-10-0394, E-01933A-12-0296, E-04204A-12-0297

Dear Ms. Hawthorne:

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Thank you again for sharing your comments with my office.

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From: Jewell [<mailto:jewelthor@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, July 10, 2013 2:06 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: APS Solar Tax

Mr. Bob Burns:

As a member of the ACC, you were elected to protect the rights of consumers. APS, as a utility monopoly, has continued through the years to increase their electrical rates by passing unapproved increases onto consumers by tacking on extra taxes and fees that are not regulated by the ACC.

Since 2000, I have done a number of things to reduce my electrical consumption to include dual pane windows, extra insulation and keeping my house thermostat set at 80 degrees or more. Well my house is uncomfortable during the summer even with fans blowing in every room.

I have been considering solar for a number of years but did not commit until this past fall. This is the first summer with solar and I lowered my thermostat to 77 degrees because I was not sure whether I would consume more electricity than I make. But apparently, I produce more than I consume so I could probably lower the thermostat some more.

But what I have notice about my bill (which does not show much of anything from the APS side) is that I am still paying money to APS. It is under \$15 per month. I thought my credits would zero out the bill...at least that was what I was led to believe. I assume that APS is simply passing through some taxes and fees.

Now I hear that they are calling for a "solar tax". I'm not sure what that means but I'm sure it means that their solar customers are "going to be taken to the cleaners" especially if you approve it. I have read that the rooftop solar industry provides \$34 million a year in uncompensated benefits and subsidies to APS. I believe this because when my solar was turned on and producing power without a net-meter being installed to identify the amount of electrical production. Since I was lucky to have my net-meter installed within two days, APS only received 69 kilowatts minus my usage for "free" from my system. Add up all the other systems where APS has taken longer to install the net-meter and we have a small fortune. And I have a very small system on my rooftop.

I think \$34 million dollars in free money is pretty good for APS. APS does not deserve more money by passing on additional taxes or fees to solar customers. APS needs to reduce their expenses just like their customers. They need to embrace cheaper forms of electricity and innovation.

Currently, the compensation for net-metering is extremely poor for the solar customer when you consider how much it costs to produce. Do not take it away. If you take it away, you are saying it is okay for APS to rob its customers. I thought robbery was still a criminal act in our State Statutes.

Jewell Hawthorne
An APS Customer for 37 Years

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:50 PM
To: 'Patty McGlothlin'
Subject: RE: Taxing Solar Clients

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RE: Net metering docket E-01345A-120-0290, E-01345A-10-0394, E-01933A-12-0296, E-04204A-12-0297

Dear Ms. McGlothlin:

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Thank you again for sharing your comments with my office.

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From: Patty McGlothlin [<mailto:codyboy31@cox.net>]
Sent: Wednesday, July 10, 2013 1:43 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Taxing Solar Clients

Changing net metering and taxing solar clients is unfair and needs to be stopped!

P. L. McGlothlin
Buckeye, Az 85326

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:49 PM
To: 'Leslie Baumgarner'
Subject: RE: Solar Energy

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Dear Ms. Baumgarner:

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-----Original Message-----

From: Leslie Baumgarner [<mailto:lbaumgarner@roadrunner.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, July 09, 2013 12:48 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Solar Energy

Mr. Burns:

Solar energy is potentially one of the best resources available to Arizonans. Please do not limit its availability to the citizens of AZ.

Sincerely,

Leslie N. Baumgarner

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:48 PM
To: 'gphilippon@cox.net'
Subject: RE: net-metering

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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Philippon:

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From: gphilippon@cox.net [mailto:gphilippon@cox.net]
Sent: Monday, July 08, 2013 10:48 AM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: net-metering

Dear Commissioner Burns,

We are solar owners/supporters, voters and APS utility customers. I am writing to urge you to protect net-metering scheduled for discussion and action by the ACC later this year. Net metering is the billing arrangement that ensures solar

customers receive fair credit for the valuable, clean power they do not use themselves and deliver to the grid for others to use during daytime hours. It is one of the most important policy tools the Commission has for empowering homes, businesses, schools and public agencies to go solar.

Utilities in the state are trying to make the case that Arizona should change its successful net-metering program. We are very concerned that this could result in not properly compensating net-metered customers for their valuable energy investment. APS's argument is based on some false claims such as solar users not "paying their fair share"; APS's "lost revenues"; solar users in effect getting a "subsidy", and so on. Recent studies have shown these arguments to be specious at best. The popularity of private homeowner rooftop solar systems in Arizona has greatly helped APS satisfy its RES requirement goals.

Home and business owners expend their own capital to install systems that provide a myriad of benefits to the grid and other ratepayers. As homeowners we invested in a rooftop photovoltaic system, at a substantial cost for several reasons:

- With 350 days per year of glorious sunshine in the Valley, it's the right thing to do
- It helps reduce our dependence on foreign fuels
- It is clean, renewable energy using no fossil fuel at all
- It contributes absolutely nothing harmful to the environment
- It has created, and continues to create jobs in the solar industry
- It keeps the public utility companies from having to build new and costly power plants

We urge you to protect net-metering.

Sincerely,

George and Margaret Philippon

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:48 PM
To: 'Alan Diamant'
Subject: RE: Keep Net Metering as it is for the benefit of Arizona

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Dear Mr. Diamant:

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Sincerely,

Robert L. Burns
Commissioner

From: Alan Diamant [<mailto:diamant@cox.net>]
Sent: Saturday, July 13, 2013 12:46 AM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Keep Net Metering as it is for the benefit of Arizona

Dear Bob Burns,

I am an engineer that previously worked for the power industry. The power meter products I worked on were designed to reduce the peak load that power companies needed to generate during system stress periods. These products are valued by the power industry because they

reduce the need to build new power generating facilities. Homeowner solar installations are another piece of this peak power reduction goal. I am an Arizona voter, a solar installation owner, and an APS customer. I am writing to urge you to protect net-metering.

Net metering ensures that solar customers like us receive fair credit for the valuable clean power we deliver to the grid for others to use during the day. Homeowner solar installations reduce the state's power consumption requirements during the peak system stress periods in the summer months. Homeowner solar installations delay (and, hopefully will eventually eliminate) the need for APS to create more expensive power generating stations for our state. This is not just a benefit to APS, but it is also a benefit to all Arizona residents.

Even though APS says that they will "grandfather" our installation, APS's past and current efforts of adding tariffs to solar owners and attempts to restructure solar rates clearly shows their intent to eventually eliminate all meaningful benefits to homeowners with solar panel installation.

Our household installed a 20 year leased solar panel system. If APS eventually eliminates our net metering, or adjusts our rates to reduce the benefits of net metering in the future, our household will be penalized twice:

- The electricity generated from our solar installation is not "free". We are paying for every kilowatt-hour that we generate through our 20 year equipment lease. The power that we generate in excess of our usage (that we are fully paying for in our lease) would become a windfall profit for APS with no benefit to us. This would be, in effect, an additional payment from us to APS – not in dollars, but in generated power that we already paid for. APS would get that power for free and charge other customers for it.
- Aside from the larger annual total billing that we would be paying to APS, we would also end up paying more to our solar panel leasing company for our larger system that we wouldn't get the full benefit from. Instead of installing the largest solar panel installation on our property that would benefit both us and all Arizona customers, a much smaller system would have been installed by the leasing company that didn't give free power to APS.

There's no wonder why APS is lobbying hard to eliminate net metering – It will make them a lot of money for little or no expense out of their pocket.

Beyond the potential impacts to our household, APS's efforts to eliminate net metering will reduce or eliminate interest in homeowner solar installations, when our country should be doing more to achieve our energy independence.

Home and business owners spend their own money to install systems that provide many benefits to the grid and other ratepayers. Net-metering also allows utility customers to make

their own choices about where they get their electricity, what type of electricity they want and how much they're willing to pay for it.

We still pay our monthly bills to APS. We are paying for the energy we use, and we are paying for the power grid infrastructure.

I urge you to protect net metering.

Thank you,

Ronald Diamant

Robyn Berndt

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Dear Mr. Diamant:

Thank you for your comments concerning net metering. I appreciate you taking the time to share your views on this important topic. APS filed its proposal last week, and the issue will go through the hearing process this fall. At that time, the parties may share their comments regarding APS's proposal on the record. You may review all the filings as well as the hearing schedule once it is set by checking the Commission's eDocket website for the above-referenced docket numbers at: <http://edocket.azcc.gov/edocket/>.

Thank you again for sharing your comments with my office.

Sincerely,

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Robert L. Burns
Commissioner

From: Alan Diamant [<mailto:diamant@cox.net>]
Sent: Saturday, July 13, 2013 12:46 AM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Keep Net Metering as it is for the benefit of Arizona

Dear Bob Burns,

I am an engineer that previously worked for the power industry. The power meter products I worked on were designed to reduce the peak load that power companies needed to generate during system stress periods. These products are valued by the power industry because they

reduce the need to build new power generating facilities. Homeowner solar installations are another piece of this peak power reduction goal. I am an Arizona voter, a solar installation owner, and an APS customer. I am writing to urge you to protect net-metering.

Net metering ensures that solar customers like us receive fair credit for the valuable clean power we deliver to the grid for others to use during the day. Homeowner solar installations reduce the state's power consumption requirements during the peak system stress periods in the summer months. Homeowner solar installations delay (and, hopefully will eventually eliminate) the need for APS to create more expensive power generating stations for our state. This is not just a benefit to APS, but it is also a benefit to all Arizona residents.

Even though APS says that they will "grandfather" our installation, APS's past and current efforts of adding tariffs to solar owners and attempts to restructure solar rates clearly shows their intent to eventually eliminate all meaningful benefits to homeowners with solar panel installation.

Our household installed a 20 year leased solar panel system. If APS eventually eliminates our net metering, or adjusts our rates to reduce the benefits of net metering in the future, our household will be penalized twice:

- The electricity generated from our solar installation is not "free". We are paying for every kilowatt-hour that we generate through our 20 year equipment lease. The power that we generate in excess of our usage (that we are fully paying for in our lease) would become a windfall profit for APS with no benefit to us. This would be, in effect, an additional payment from us to APS – not in dollars, but in generated power that we already paid for. APS would get that power for free and charge other customers for it.
- Aside from the larger annual total billing that we would be paying to APS, we would also end up paying more to our solar panel leasing company for our larger system that we wouldn't get the full benefit from. Instead of installing the largest solar panel installation on our property that would benefit both us and all Arizona customers, a much smaller system would have been installed by the leasing company that didn't give free power to APS.

There's no wonder why APS is lobbying hard to eliminate net metering – It will make them a lot of money for little or no expense out of their pocket.

Beyond the potential impacts to our household, APS's efforts to eliminate net metering will reduce or eliminate interest in homeowner solar installations, when our country should be doing more to achieve our energy independence.

Home and business owners spend their own money to install systems that provide many benefits to the grid and other ratepayers. Net-metering also allows utility customers to make

their own choices about where they get their electricity, what type of electricity they want and how much they're willing to pay for it.

We still pay our monthly bills to APS. We are paying for the energy we use, and we are paying for the power grid infrastructure.

I urge you to protect net metering.

Thank you,

Ronald Diamant

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:47 PM
To: 'linda'
Subject: RE: APS vs. Solar panels for residential

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Dear Ms. Julson:

Thank you for your comments concerning net metering. I appreciate you taking the time to share your views on this important topic. APS filed its proposal last week, and the issue will go through the hearing process this fall. At that time, the parties may share their comments regarding APS's proposal on the record. You may review all the filings as well as the hearing schedule once it is set by checking the Commission's eDocket website for the above-referenced docket numbers at: <http://edocket.azcc.gov/edocket/>.

Thank you again for sharing your comments with my office.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Burns
Commissioner

From: linda [<mailto:lincarjul@aol.com>]
Sent: Friday, July 12, 2013 2:11 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: APS vs. Solar panels for residential

Today's Arizona Republic has an article saying APS is proposing a fee of \$50 to \$100 or more PER MONTH to customers who install solar panels on their roof. If that were to happen I would have spent \$11,000 out of my IRA for nothing. My APS bill averaged through the year has been \$102 per month.

I bought into the solar idea not only because it's environmentally friendly but because I need to have some containment with my electric costs. Arizona should be at the forefront of Solar Energy with the

advantage of sun here. Please do not listen to APS and put thousands of us at risk of an APS new penalty. That has already happened to commercial properties with solar.

Did the telephone companies charge an outrageous fee when cell phones came into being? No, they had a division of their company offer cell service. APS does not have a right to hold people hostage who want to try to contain their bills. The CEO of APS makes many millions of dollars EACH YEAR. I do not support those kinds of wages. Much of that money should be put back into the business. APS costs more than SRP. Most customers don't have a choice of which electric company will serve them.

Promote healthy competition. Promote Arizona as being an example of how we can use our abundant sunshine. Please, vote no to changing net metering or APS charging a penalty to solar leasers.

Sincerely,
Linda Julson
12401 bent tree dr
Peoria az 85383

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:47 PM
To: 'Sandi Nielson'
Subject: RE: Protect Net-Metering & Jobs

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Dear Mrs. Nielson:

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Thank you again for sharing your comments with my office.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Burns
Commissioner

From: Sandi Nielson [<mailto:nielsonaz@cox.net>]
Sent: Friday, July 12, 2013 12:18 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Protect Net-Metering & Jobs

Dear Corporation Commissioner,

I am an Arizona voter who lives in Avondale, Arizona and am a utility customer and I am writing to urge you to protect net-metering.

Net metering ensures that solar customers like me receive fair credit for the valuable clean power we deliver to the grid for others to use during the day. It is one of the most important policy tools the Commission has for empowering homes, businesses, schools and public agencies to go solar, and to drive the growth of a successful Arizona industry.

Utilities in the state want Arizona to change its successful net metering program and I am highly concerned that this could result in not properly compensating customers for their valuable energy investments.

Home and business owners spend their own money to install systems that provide many benefits to the grid and other ratepayers. Net-metering also allows utility customers to make their own choices about where they get their electricity, what type of electricity they want and how much they're willing to pay for it.

I urge you to protect net metering.

Sandi Nielson
11574 W. Cocopah St
Avondale, AZ 85323

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Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:46 PM
To: 'Sharon Koval'
Subject: RE: APS Solar Regulation

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Dear Ms. Koval:

Thank you for your comments concerning net metering. I appreciate you taking the time to share your views on this important topic. APS filed its proposal last week, and the issue will go through the hearing process this fall. At that time, the parties may share their comments regarding APS's proposal on the record. You may review all the filings as well as the hearing schedule once it is set by checking the Commission's eDocket website for the above-referenced docket numbers at: <http://edocket.azcc.gov/edocket/>.

Thank you again for sharing your comments with my office.

Sincerely,

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Robert L. Burns
Commissioner

From: Sharon Koval [<mailto:skoval@ecotality.com>]
Sent: Friday, July 12, 2013 11:34 AM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: APS Solar Regulation

Dear Commissioner,

I am a voter and an APS customer. I am writing to urge you to protect net metering.

APS has proposed an aggressive tax on solar customers, either in the form of a radically reduced rate of payment for power sent back to the grid or a substantial fixed charge to their monthly bill.

I support rooftop solar in our state as an important industry and a means for Arizonans to have a real energy choice. These proposed taxes will effectively end the residential solar industry in Arizona. Please vote to protect net metering in APS.

Thanks,

Sharon Koval

Sharon Koval

Marketing Coordinator

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From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:46 PM
To: 'Keith Rowley'
Subject: RE: DG is good for Everyone

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Dear Mr. Rowley:

Thank you for your comments concerning net metering. I appreciate you taking the time to share your views on this important topic. APS filed its proposal last week, and the issue will go through the hearing process this fall. At that time, the parties may share their comments regarding APS's proposal on the record. You may review all the filings as well as the hearing schedule once it is set by checking the Commission's eDocket website for the above-referenced docket numbers at: <http://edocket.azcc.gov/edocket/>.

Thank you again for sharing your comments with my office.

Sincerely,

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From: Keith Rowley [<mailto:keith@sesp.biz>]
Sent: Thursday, July 11, 2013 5:10 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Cc: info@solarelectricfreedom.com
Subject: DG is good for Everyone

Bob,
Please review this document with my views on the future of Solar in Arizona.
Please don't let APS kill it by getting rid of Net-metering. We want it.

Thanks,
Keith Rowley, MS, BSE, EIT, NABCEP

President, Solar Electric Systems & Products, Inc.
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480-510-2170



Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:45 PM
To: 'SE Marsh'
Subject: RE: Solar

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Dear SE Marsh:

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Thank you again for sharing your comments with my office.

Sincerely,

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Robert L. Burns
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From: SE Marsh [<mailto:cdrgolf@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Thursday, July 11, 2013 4:26 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Solar

My home has solar panels. Solar is the good for the environment. That is what government told us. Do not change net metering for solar customers. APS made a 51% profit increase during the last five years.

Share my work ethic...not my wealth!
Sent from my iPad

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:45 PM
To: 'David'
Subject: RE: Corporate welfare has to stop

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Dear Mr. McCullam:

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Thank you again for sharing your comments with my office.

Sincerely,

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Robert L. Burns
Commissioner

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From: dmccullam=aol.com@mailgun.org [<mailto:dmccullam=aol.com@mailgun.org>] On Behalf Of David
Sent: Thursday, July 11, 2013 1:17 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Corporate welfare has to stop

Dear Commissioner,

The current net metering system is hurting Arizonans, particularly seniors and those on fixed incomes. We know that solar customers create their own energy, but they still rely on the energy grid to ensure they have power whenever they

need it. When they don't pay for that service, the rates we pay go up. Furthermore, the current net metering policy requires us to pay five times the market value for solar customers' excess power.

We know why solar companies are against net metering reform – their bottom line. Forcing hardworking Arizonans to subsidize out-of-state solar corporations is the worst kind of corporate welfare. We support solar power and want it to be sustainable in the long term. That's why rates must be fair to all customers. Please support net metering reforms that will ensure fair rates for all customers.

Has anyone in the political industry ever asked the solar/air power industries when they will provide a product to consumers that is affordable and free of taxpayer subsidies?

Thank you.

D. McCullam

David McCullam

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:44 PM
To: 'phxsunshine@cox.net'
Subject: RE: Solar

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Dear Ms. Karels:

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Thank you again for sharing your comments with my office.

Sincerely,

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Robert L. Burns
Commissioner

-----Original Message-----

From: phxsunshine@cox.net [<mailto:phxsunshine@cox.net>]
Sent: Sunday, July 14, 2013 10:07 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: Solar

As your constituent I am asking you to please consider protecting solar in Arizona. It seems to me that it would be logical in this state of so much sunshine that all roofs should be made up of solar panels. That is how I envision the future. Each building would be mostly self sustaining for its energy needs. That is a much better picture in my mind than

to limit people's choice and freedom by requiring them to rely on and pay high amounts for non-self-sustaining sources of energy.

Sincerely,
Monica Karels

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:43 PM
To: 'John Barber'
Subject: RE: APS Net Metering Proposal

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Dear Mr. Barber:

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Thank you again for sharing your comments with my office.

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From: John Barber [<mailto:jbarber325@aol.com>]
Sent: Sunday, July 14, 2013 3:07 PM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: APS Net Metering Proposal

Dear Commissioner Burns,

I am a registered voter in Arizona, a stockholder in APS(PNW) and have a PV system installed on the roof of my house in Prescott, AZ that is utilizing a net metering agreement with APS. I strongly disagree with APS's proposal to revise the net metering and rooftop solar rules. If approved, these would effectively eliminate the net metering system going forward. APS's claim that this is a subsidy for a few supported by the many completely ignores the fact that APS is a monopoly with guaranteed returns on its investment, and that the approved rate structure has many subsidies and incentives required by the the State of Arizona and the AZ Corporation Commission. I view this as a blatant attempt by

APS to drive the distributed solar generating business into the ground and to maintain a complete monopoly in power generation and distribution.

According to the APS website, the total connected residential rooftop generating capacity is just shy of 70mW. This is an extremely small portion of their total generating capacity, and it operates during peak load times, when generating capacity is needed the most. To say this this causes instability in APS's network beggars the imagination. APS has yet to report that generating plants are standing by, unneeded, because the net-metering supply provides all the power needed.

APS says that I use the distribution network for free; this is completely false. My bill includes charges for Account, Metering, Meter Reading, and Billing. These are charges of a plan recommended by APS and approved by the AZ Corp Commission.

In the long term, when the amount of residential/small scale solar or generated power, tied to the grid has increased, there will be a need to develop a different way of paying for the system and backup power supplied by utilities. The sort of short term methods proposed by APS is not a long term solution to a problem that has not yet arrived. It will be much better for the various utilities (APS, SRP, etc), and the AZ Corp Commission to work together to develop a long range plan that will encourage the transition to distributed renewable power generation, and provide adequate backup generation capacity for times when the renewables are not producing power.

Until recently, APS and the State of Arizona has had a good reputation in the renewable energy market, if this change is approved, that reputation will be destroyed.

If APS's request is approved, Arizona will demonstrate to the Nation that we are not capable of taking advantage of our vast solar resources, and will drive away the sort of high tech and renewable energy investment that will provide long term, steady employment for our citizens.

As a registered voter in Arizona, I ask you to deny APS's request.

John Barber
Prescott, AZ

Robyn Berndt

From: Robyn Berndt on behalf of RBurns-Web
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 2:42 PM
To: 'LD'
Subject: RE: I support net metering and do not agree with APS

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Dear L.D. Wertz:

Thank you for your comments concerning net metering. I appreciate you taking the time to share your views on this important topic. APS filed its proposal last week, and the issue will go through the hearing process this fall. At that time, the parties may share their comments regarding APS's proposal on the record. You may review all the filings as well as the hearing schedule once it is set by checking the Commission's eDocket website for the above-referenced docket numbers at: <http://edocket.azcc.gov/edocket/>.

Thank you again for sharing your comments with my office.

Sincerely,

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From: LD [<mailto:ldwertz@cox.net>]
Sent: Sunday, July 14, 2013 10:51 AM
To: RBurns-Web
Subject: I support net metering and do not agree with APS

I am a full time Arizona resident, Arizona voter and APS customer. We installed a solar system on our roof as an investment to hedge inflation and control expenses. As a retired senior on a fixed income, it is very important for us to be able to control future expenses and price increases so our money will last. Inflation, taxes and medical expenses put a lot of pressure on seniors income. We realize that the APS proposal will grandfather us in to our current net metering plan, however, our concern is for our fellow senior citizens that

would also like to use solar energy as a way to control one aspect of their expenses. The APS approach will kill solar installation in Arizona preventing many seniors from taking advantage of solar as an alternative to APS.

Net metering ensures that customers like me receive fair credit for the clean power we deliver to the grid. This aspect of solar energy is very important in making it economically feasible for a senior to take advantage of solar energy and hedge future price increases by APS. I urge you to protect net metering to help seniors meet their future expenses.

I am sure you are aware of the economic impact that the elimination of net metering would have on the solar industry as a whole. With the loss of jobs, there is a corresponding domino effect on the economy because those people cannot use earned dollars to purchase goods and services and there by affecting others not in the industry. There would also be a considerable loss of taxes, both income and sales.

Again, I urge you to protect net metering as it stands today.

Thank you,
L.D. Wertz