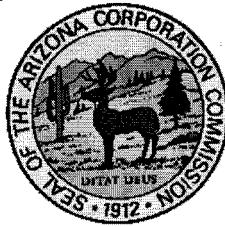


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TO: Docket Control

DATE: August 6, 2013

FROM: Trisha Morgan, Executive Aide

SUBJECT: Arizona Public Service Corporation
Docket No. E-01345A-13-0248

Between the dates of Thursday, July 25, 2013 at 10:16 am and Tuesday, August 6, 2013 at 12:41 pm the Chairman has received 459 identical computer generated email communications in opposition of the above captioned docket. The emails are generated by an unknown source. Attached is a sample of the email received.

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Trisha A. Morgan

From: Ronald Darden [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, August 06, 2013 7:13 AM
To: Stump-Web
Subject: Reject APS's Net Metering Rollback Proposal (docket E-01345A-13-0248)

Dear Commissioner:

APS is going to great lengths to convince you, our elected Commissioners, that rooftop solar is a bad deal for Arizonans -- but this couldn't be further from the truth. APS is using a flawed report to make the case that Arizona should change its most successful solar policy - net metering. The two proposals that APS is suggesting would effectively eliminate a customer's ability to save money on their energy bills, thus removing the main reason Arizonans invest in rooftop solar energy.

This is a fight over whether we continue to overprotect big utilities who are loathe to allow competition into their industry, or allow customers to invest in cleaner, safer, and cheaper energy options.

The utility companies should be thinking more about how to develop a business model that allows them to use solar power more effectively to drive down their operating costs and work to expand its use for the good of the environment. Instead they seek to derail solar power in Arizona by eliminating net-metering; a policy which clearly benefits both solar and non-solar customers. APS is trying to get rid of net metering so they can charge solar customers more and then sell that power that comes back to the grid to their non-solar customers at a rate that they also can set arbitrarily. This is patently unfair.

Rooftop solar delivers to innumerable public benefits -- jobs, energy bill savings, improved air quality, and the decreased use of precious water resources in our energy production. In fact, a recent study found that because of net metering, APS customers alone will receive \$34 million in grid benefits alone each year starting in 2015.

A vote to dismantle net metering for rooftop solar, as APS is proposing, is an anti-consumer, anti-competition vote. Please protect our energy rights over the monopoly interest of APS.

I urge you to be a solar power leader by rejecting APS' proposal today as an unacceptable start to the conversation about net metering and potential reform ideas. While that conversation should happen, these proposals are too extreme to be considered. Simply entertaining them would be a huge step backwards for all Arizonans who are committed to conserving our natural resources.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ronald K Darden
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