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TO: Docket Control

DATE: September 10, 2013

FROM: Trisha Morgan, Executive Aide

SUBJECT: Arizona Public Service Corporation
E-01345A-13-0248

The Chairman has received 16 emails in opposition to the above captioned docket. Attached is a sample of the email received. Be advised these letters were not distributed but that they are in the original file in Docket Control and available for your review.

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Trisha A. Morgan

From: adam wade <aofog5256@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2013 8:55 PM
To: BitterSmith-Web; RBurns-Web; Burns-Web; Pierce-Web; Stump-Web
Subject: Protect Net Metering

Dear Corporation Commissioner,

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

Net-metering provides an incentive for people like me to install solar systems at our homes and businesses. This in turn helps to flatten the energy grid by producing energy during the day when usage is the highest. Solar also helps to reduce the energy demand seasonally when the HOT Arizona sun is forcing us all to run our air conditioners extra hard. Without flattening of the electrical grid energy utility companies will be forced to install more capacity to meet peak demand. We all know that more capacity is very expensive especially in our current era of reducing carbon emissions. While increasing capacity can be good for the energy companies it is bad policy for all of the people in Arizona.

Along with the protection of net metering I would also like to bring to your attention to the recent rate hikes by TEP. My electric bill was recently increased by 30%!!! Because I produce solar energy and typically only pay the connection fee (most months) my bill went from \$7 to \$10. I also noticed that more usage levels were added, which is a good thing, but the highest energy usage level had a very little rate increase. In effect this rate hike will cause more of an increase to low demand users like those of use that have solar or simply conserve energy than heavy consumers. The goal of a rate hike is obviously to increase the revenue of the utility company and is necessary but this should be burdened more heavily on the high demand users. As I stated in the previous argument for net metering we all benefit when less energy is used and burdoning the high demand users will provide an incentive for conservation.

Sincerely,
Adam Wade

Trisha A. Morgan

From: Wilbanks, Dennis (CCI-Southwest) <Dennis.Wilbanks@cox.com>
Sent: Friday, July 19, 2013 9:07 AM
To: BitterSmith-Web; RBurns-Web; Burns-Web; Pierce-Web; Stump-Web
Subject: Protect Net Metering and Jobs

Dear Corporation Commissioner,

I am an Arizona voter and utility customer and I am writing to urge you to protect net-metering. **Although APS says I will be grandfathered for 20yrs I still do not agree with what they are proposing.** I purchased this 40k plus solar system to improve the environment and lower my usage of created energy. They resell my energy! I produce more than I use so APS has a low cost supply to resell, a net zero cost!

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.

Please support our decision to purchase solar, we did this to help our environment. PROTECT NET METERING don't destroy others dreams of having solar.

Respectfully,

Dennis Wilbanks
PO Box 756
Tonto Basin AZ 85553

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From: Doyle Dreesen <ddreesen@solarcity.com>
Sent: Friday, July 19, 2013 7:38 AM
To: brian.tayloe@cox.net; BitterSmith-Web; RBurns-Web; Burns-Web; Pierce-Web; Stump-Web
Subject: RE: Protect Net Metering on the resale of your home!!! APS is banking on this loophole!!!

Excellent letter.

----- Original message -----

From: Brian Tayloe <brian.tayloe@cox.net>
Date: 07/18/2013 10:26 PM (GMT-07:00)
To: BitterSmith-web@azcc.gov, RBurns-web@azcc.gov, burns-web@azcc.gov, pierce-web@azcc.gov, stump-web@azcc.gov
Cc: Doyle Dreesen <ddreesen@solarcity.com>
Subject: Protect Net Metering on the resale of your home!!! APS is banking on this loophole!!!

Dear Corporation Commissioners,

I am an Arizona voter and APS utility customer. I am writing to urge you to protect net-metering **AT THE SYSTEM LEVEL! The current proposal from APS does not protect the added value/benefit to the home on resale. Many other property owners will experience a DECREASE in value of a home with solar installed under a lease or financing (transferable at time of sale) as a result!**

APS partnered with installers who sold systems on 20 year transferable leases pitching that it would be a long term savings and added value to the house, only to have them change the rules in their favor *not even two years later*, in my case. This is **not fair** for those who wanted to help APS fulfill their program and the environment by installing solar systems under these agreements.

The net metering should be grandfathered at the SYSTEM level and not at the customer level as they currently propose. APS is banking on the turnover in home sales to help reduce the net metering well before the 20 year term of the grandfathering proposed at the customer level.

I urge you to protect net metering as **grandfathered at the SYSTEM level and not at the customer level as they currently propose.**

Thank you for your consideration!

-Brian Tayloe, Solar Energy Advocate

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From: AAM <draamahmood@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, July 19, 2013 10:07 AM
To: BitterSmith-Web; RBurns-Web; Burns-Web; Pierce-Web; Stump-Web
Subject: Protect Net Metering and Jobs

Dear Corporation Commissioner,

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

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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.
thanks
Abdul Mahmood

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From: Cheri Williams <blakecheri@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, July 19, 2013 8:20 AM
To: BitterSmith-Web; RBurns-Web; Burns-Web; Pierce-Web; Stump-Web

Dear Corporation Commissioner,

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.

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I urge you to protect net metering.

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From: angela gil <angelagil02@msn.com>
Sent: Saturday, July 20, 2013 8:22 PM
To: BitterSmith-Web; RBurns-Web; Burns-Web; Pierce-Web; Stump-Web
Subject: Protect Net Metering and Jobs

Dear Corporation Commissioner,

My name is Angela Gil, I am an Arizona voter and utility customer and I am writing to urge you to protect net-metering.

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I urge you to protect net metering.

Thank you,

Angela Gil

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From: Barbara Cooper <bcoopmail@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2013 8:51 AM
To: Pierce-Web; Burns-Web; Stump-Web; BitterSmith-Web; RBurns-Web
Subject: VOTE TO PROTECT NET-METERING

Barbara Cooper
39 West Suffolk Drive
Tucson AZ 85704

Arizona Corporation Commission
Commissioners Wing
1200 West Washington
Phoenix, AZ 85007-2996

July 30, 2013

To Commissioners Pierce, Burns, Stump, Bitter Smith, & Burns:

I am a voter and solar customer concerned with the future of Net Metering in Arizona. **Last fall a number of you ran on a pro-solar initiative, promising to keep the industry strong and to protect our rights to choose the sun to power our homes.** I am writing to urge you to protect Net-Metering as it stands in Arizona.

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 charge to their monthly bill.

I support rooftop solar in our state as an important and a means for Arizonans to have a real energy choice.

These proposed taxes will effectively end the residential solar industry in Arizona, eliminating choice in the residential energy market, destroying much needed jobs, and killing significant economic potential.

Please vote to protect Net-Metering.

Thank you,

Barbara E. Cooper VOTER!

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From: Burt Feuerstein <feuersteinb@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, July 19, 2013 10:49 AM
To: BitterSmith-Web; RBurns-Web; Burns-Web; Pierce-Web; Stump-Web
Subject: Improve net metering!!!!

Dear Commissioners,

I am an Arizona voter and utility customer, have installed solar panels on my roof, and I urge you to protect and improve net-metering.

Net metering ensures that solar customers like me get credit for the clean power we deliver to the grid. The policy entices homes, businesses, schools and public agencies to go solar, and enhances growth of the Arizona solar industry.

Our Arizona utilities want you to change Arizona's net metering program. I worry the utilities are only interested in their own profits, and are looking to deemphasize proper compensation to customers for our valuable energy investments. In fact, our utility compensates me much less than their sale price for the electricity I provide.

Solar customers spend our own money to install systems that provide benefits to the grid and other ratepayers. Net-metering lets utility customers make our own choices about where and what kind of electricity we get, and how much we are willing to pay for it.

I urge you to protect net metering, and say no to profit-driven and socially irresponsible utilities.

Be well

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Trisha A. Morgan

From: Dave Katz <Dave@katzct.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2013 8:05 PM
To: Pierce-Web; Burns-Web; Stump-Web; BitterSmith-Web; RBurns-Web
Subject: Net metering

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 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.

David Katz
Buckeye, AZ

Trisha A. Morgan

From: hoffman01@gmail.com on behalf of Linda Hoffman <linda@azlhoffman.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2013 10:44 PM
Subject: Vote to protect net metering in APS for solar use

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 charge to their monthly bill.

No matter what, if they succeed in passing these changes renewable energy solar in AZ will stop since it no longer is cost effective for the public to use. Of all places in the US, AZ makes more sense to become even more solar powered not less. It all comes back to the corporate level of gain more at a greater cost to the public.

If I could live completely off the electric grid, I would do it!

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,

Linda Hoffman

Trisha A. Morgan

From: Jeff Kirk <ktmone@q.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2013 11:58 PM
To: Stump-Web
Subject: APS Proposal, Changes to Net Metering

Dear Commissioner Stump

I am a voter and an APS customer. I am writing to urge you to protect net metering and promote Solar energy for the average homeowner.

In reviewing the letter that I received from APS it is apparent that they have 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 charge to their monthly bill.

I support rooftop solar in our state and I have made a significant investment in Solar Energy. Solar is an important industry and a means for Arizonans to have a real energy choice. These proposed taxes will effectively remove any incentive for individual home owners to invest their hard earned dollars in roof top Solar. This would be a huge step backwards in our efforts to become energy efficient and would certainly be a blow to the residential solar growth in Arizona. Please vote to protect net metering in APS.

Thanks,

Jeffrey A. Kirk

Trisha A. Morgan

From: DOOGIE8744@aol.com
Sent: Friday, July 19, 2013 10:22 AM
To: Stump-Web
Subject: Net Metering

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 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,

Richard C. Hauser

Trisha A. Morgan

From: Danita Hardy <Hardy.Danita@azdeq.gov>
Sent: Friday, July 19, 2013 10:33 AM
To: Stump-Web
Subject: APS - Net Metering

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

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Thanks,

Danita Hardy

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Trisha A. Morgan

From: DOOGIE8744@aol.com
Sent: Friday, July 19, 2013 11:25 AM
To: Stump-Web
Subject: Net Metering

Dear Commissioner,

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

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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,

Judy A. Hauser

Trisha A. Morgan

From: Andre Dargis <noreply@formresponse.com>
Sent: Friday, August 02, 2013 5:06 PM
To: Stump-Web
Subject: Save Solar Energy!

Dear Commissioner Stump,

I am a voter and an APS customer. I am writing to urge you to protect net metering. (Docket number- E-01345A-13-0248).

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 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,

Andre Dargis

andredargis@yahoo.com

Trisha A. Morgan

From: ANNETTE WILT <noreply@formresponse.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 06, 2013 6:01 AM
To: Stump-Web
Subject: Save Solar Energy!

Dear Commissioner Stump,

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Thanks,

ANNETTE WILT

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