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Chairman Bob Stump  
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Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Dear Chairman Stump and Commissioners,

As you are aware from a previous letter sent on May 21, 2013, the Recreation Centers of Sun City, Inc. (RCSC) is concerned about changing the policies surrounding net metering for current individual and commercial solar users. On behalf of our members in Sun City, where we lay claim to the highest percentage of individual solar installations and the largest commercial solar installation of any community in Arizona, we respectfully ask that all current users be grandfathered under the current net metering terms as was provided by APS at the time of their installation. We also believe that because it changes the value of the home at resale, which was part of the consideration at time of installation, the current net metering terms should remain with the property until such time the solar system is no longer used. Simply put, we do not feel it is fair to make changes that affect the outcome of so many on fixed incomes who have invested in solar power based on these terms.

We have personally met with APS leaders, Leland Snook, Director of Rates & Rate Strategy and Stacy Aguayo, Director of State Regulations, amongst other APS officials and have spent valuable time listening and sharing our concerns with one another. And they have openly admitted that the 18,000 or so homes that have solar now are not a threat in their total picture of 1.1 million customers. Their concern lies in the future of what is to come.

As an organization with considerable infrastructure to support as well, we can understand that as things change, so do we. Matter a fact, those who purchased homes in Sun City prior to 2003 and still live in those homes pay a different annual property assessment than those who purchased after that time. We hold to those earlier agreements because that is how it was when they purchased their homes and we believe that is exactly what APS should do as well. If changes need to be made, they should only be effective for those who install solar with that understanding.

Sincerely,

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CC: Board of Directors

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