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Dear Chairman Stump:

One thing that you have done since taking office is protect the ratepayers of Arizona. So for that, I would like to thank you. I feel like the time has come to protect ratepayers once again by updating the state's net-metering policies so that those who do not have solar panels (whether it is for financial or logistical reasons) are not stuck paying the majority of costs for electrical grid infrastructure. The Commission's staff has already recommended that change be implemented. I'm asking that you do it now.

Net-metering has no doubt been critical in helping Arizona get to where we are in leading the nation in solar capabilities. But now the time has come to look back to see what works still and what doesn't anymore. Net-metering billing policies should be updated because it's simply not right to ask regular ratepayers without solar to pay for infrastructure at a rate that far exceeds those with solar.

There is a way to correct net-metering without damaging the solar industry of Arizona. There is also a way to make sure that fairness is being applied to all those who are using the grid, whether they are solar or non-solar users. It's important that we get this right now, because waiting will only let the imbalance continue.

Sincerely,

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