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ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

UTILITY COMPLAINT FORM

Investigator: Tom Davis

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Priority: Respond Within Five Days

Opinion No. 2013 - 113834

Complaint Description: 19Y Net Metering 08A Rate Case Items - Opposed

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Date: 11/15/2013

Arizona Corporation Commission

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Complaint By: First: PETITION Last: PETITION

Account Name: PETITION PETITION

Home: (000) 000-0000

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Street: n/a

Work: (000) 000-0000

City: n/a

CBR:

State: AZ Zip: n/a

is:

Utility Company: Arizona Public Service Company

Division: Electric

Contact Name: For assignment

Contact Phone

Nature of Complaint:

OPPOSED

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ELECTRIC

14 Individuals are OPPOSED to docket E-01345A-13-0248

Dear Corporation Commission,

I urge you to protect solar progress and a strong rooftop solar program in Arizona.

Arizona is now the national leader in solar energy production per capita due to the "net metering" policy that allows customers who have installed solar on their homes or businesses to receive fair market value for any excess energy that is sent back into the grid.

The net-metering policy produces substantial benefits. Solar producing customers are compensated fairly for excess energy generated. Other utility customers benefit by receiving clean, renewable energy through the grid. Progress in solar energy also reduces the need for costly new power plants and transmission lines, creates high-paying local jobs, and results in cleaner air for people and our environment.

The Commission's staff recently recommended that the ACC reject Arizona Public Service and instead address issues in 2016 in the next APS rate case. I encourage you to do that and to continue supporting progress in the rooftop solar program. With more than 300 days of sunshine each year, Arizona should be a leader in solar energy. Solar is a win-win for Arizona, and net metering is an essential part of that. The benefits of solar power have been established and supported through research as having a minimal impact on our environment. If metering is abolished this will reduce the ability of individuals and businesses to invest and afford this technology. As an individual who utilizes solar power it has been obvious the solar power suppliers in our state have been facing drastic challenges. The availability of companies to provide maintenance to consumers and installation have dropped off in this region. The company who installed my panels was out of business within a year. Finding a replacement provider was extremely difficult. It took over a month to find an operational company willing to perform maintenance. Each year individuals and

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businesses wait to receive solar panel benefits for energy output. The electric companies claim it's time for building energy bank which is then used to offset costs after that timeframe is reached. My experience was I had to wait an entire year before I had enough on my bank to offset any cost whatsoever. If metering was stopped many would be out money they invested and expected to be equitable over time. If there was no equitable return there would be no investment and no companies to support already installed solar panels. This would further impact our environment and this technological resource would disappear.

Please oppose proposals by Arizona Public Service to overturn Arizona's net-metering policy.

These customers have similar opinioins regarding docket E-01345A-13-0248:

1. Desiree McGrew
  2. Linda Jackson
  3. Shari
  4. Darrell Kimes
  5. Sofia Ross
  6. Tim Braun
  7. Lynne Chrzanowski
  8. Doug Noble
  9. Gulshan K. Malik
  10. Jim Bradford
  11. Lyndel D. Brumley
  12. Dirk Braeuer
  13. Phil & Katie Bradley
  14. Jeff Chduy
- \*End of Complaint\*

**Utilities' Response:**

**Investigator's Comments and Disposition:**

11/15/13: Entered for the record and docketed  
\*End of Comments\*

**Date Completed: 11/15/2013**

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