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Arizona Corporation Commission 1200 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Moreover, to penalize people who are trying to reduce their energy usage while living on a budget is wrong. Our electrical bill his over \$400 per month in the summer with APS! We've reduced all the usage we can. We can't choose our utilities provider, but we should have full right to use the sun in an effort to reduce our costs and reduce our footprint...no one owns the sun.

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Sincerely, Mrs. Carolyn Bame Ms. Sybil Melody PO Box 1179 Clarkdale, AZ 86324-1179 (928) 639-0158

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Sincerely, Ms. Sybil Melody Ms. Margaret Lincoln 1109 N Fence Post Pl Prescott Valley, AZ 86314-1467 (406) 992-1008

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In my opinion, we have a wonderful safe and free resource here in Arizona, and every structure should have rooftop solar to take advantage of it. There should be no need to build new power plants in this state, and many of us would rest more easily if the Palo Verde nuclear plant could be retired before it leaks any more radiation.

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If you really wanted to help you could support new types of batteries to make solar power more stable.

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Sincerely, Dr. Keith Wetzel Ms. Kristen Vassar 1918 N 25th Pl Phoenix, AZ 85008-3521 (602) 275-7058

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Please reject the proposed penalty on solar and keep Arizona's solar on track.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Ms. Kristen Vassar Mr. Philip Boddy Jr 10955 N 79th Ave Lot 141 Peoria, AZ 85345-5977 (623) 878-8415

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Please reject the APS proposed penalty on solar and keep Arizona's solar on track. APS can't keep calling themselves 'solar friendly' and trying to kill the solar movement.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Mrs. Sara Haley Dr. Jack & Joy Tuber 9139 N 64th Pl Paradise Valley, AZ 85253-1843 (480) 596-8528

May 4, 2015

Arizona Corporation Commission 1200 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007

## RE: Please reject increased solar fee! Docket #E-01345A-13-0248

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Sincerely, Dr. Jack & Joy Tuber Ms. Nancy Spinelli 2065 Whippet Way Sedona, AZ 86336-5902 (928) 274-3137

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Sincerely, Ms. Nancy Spinelli Ms. Emily McAndrews 17500 N 67th Ave Apt 1032 Glendale, AZ 85308-1081

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you are at it, remove the fee you approved last year for APS on this. It is insane to tax a portion of the population who is trying to save their financial future by investing in solar energy for their home and at the same time they are investing in a cleaner environment for our state. The utilities are just trying to recover the lowered utility costs their customers are enjoying and do not care a rat's butt about anything but their bottom line. You on the corporation commission were elected by us, the citizens of this state, not the big utility companies, so why don't you do your jobs protecting the people who put you in your position. Another case of big money talking and no listening to the people who really matter???

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Mr. Michael Bailey Ms. Ann Careau 21316 N Redington Point Dr Surprise, AZ 85387-8230

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Sincerely, Ms. Ann Careau Mr. W B Harrington 7077 E Bobwhite Way Scottsdale, AZ 85266-8538 (480) 563-3588

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Mr. W B Harrington Ms. Patricia Orlinski 10511 W Kingswood Cir Sun City, AZ 85351-2246 (623) 876-1525

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Sincerely, Ms. Patricia Orlinski Mr. Tony Gioia PO Box 464 Camp Verde, AZ 86322-0464 (928) 567-0789

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Sincerely, Mr. Tony Gioia Mr. David Reiter 4514 W Palo Verde Ave Glendale, AZ 85302-3724 (623) 236-8283

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Sincerely, Mr. David Reiter Ms. Lucinda Mellott 6027 N 10th Way Phoenix, AZ 85014-1932 (602) 532-9464

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Sincerely, Ms. Lucinda Mellott Mr. Charles Lagergren 13626 W Sky Hawk Dr Sun City West, AZ 85375-5833 (623) 975-0444

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Rooftop solar owners HAVE MADE LARGE FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS in electrical production so APS does not have to make these large investments.

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Sincerely, Mr. Charles Lagergren Mr. Tom Brodersen 1327 Granite Creek Ln Chino Valley, AZ 86323-5423 (928) 925-9207

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Mrs. Beth Davis Mr. Michael And Katherin Baron 611 N San Francisco St Flagstaff, AZ 86001-3230 (928) 774-0844

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My wife and I already have rooftop solar panels. If these shenanigans continue, we will get one of Elon Musk's batteries and cut off from the grid entirely, thereby fucking these bastards. Is that the direction you want the state to go?

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Mr. Michael And Katherin Baron Ms. Anne Reeves 8092 W Paradise Ln Apt 1128 Peoria, AZ 85382-4984 (623) 486-2127

May 5, 2015

Arizona Corporation Commission 1200 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007

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We, including APS, should all be encouraging, not discouraging, those willing and able to install and maintain solar energy panels on their housing. This manner of capturing the sun's energy is, as yet, one of the most efficient and least environmentally damaging ways to increase solar power availability and use.

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Sincerely, Mrs. Susan Garrity Benton Mr. Gary Bettum 25 Hohokam Cir Sedona, AZ 86336-4349 (928) 204-2359

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Mr. Jimmy Gonzales Dr. Linda Pustola 15870 W Alpine Ridge Dr Surprise, AZ 85374-2196 (623) 584-1231

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Sincerely, Dr. Linda Pustola
Ms. Doris Lucas 12103 W Rosewood Dr El Mirage, AZ 85335-5247

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Ms. Doris Lucas Miss Dava Esman 22956 W Twilight Trl Buckeye, AZ 85326-7820

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Sincerely, Miss Dava Esman Ms. Wadetta Washburn 20540 W Peakview Rd Wittmann, AZ 85361-5302 (623) 388-9361

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You are a public utility. Your mandate is to serve the public. History will look back on you with astonishment. Progress is necessary now. We are no longer in the Dark Ages. What will your greed buy you???

You KNOW that solar is the right way to go. It is unfathomable that rooftop solar is not available to all of us.

Again: your mandate is NOT about profit for your shareholders and CEOs. You are to serve the public. You should be encouraging solar in our sunny state. The legacy you are leaving your children should be one of improvement, helping the planet, and doing the right thing, not this shameful proposal. It is bad enough that you are charging ANY penalty on solar customers. I do not have a single friend who disagrees.

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Sincerely, Ms. M.E. Raines Mr. James Derrig 19006 N 76th Ave Glendale, AZ 85308-8300 (623) 561-1545

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May 10, 2015

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Don't be so greedy!!!!!!!!!!

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Dr. Dennis Boyle Dr. Robert Neustadt 3960 N Arosa Way Flagstaff, AZ 86004-6809

May 13, 2015

Arizona Corporation Commission 1200 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007

#### RE: Please reject increased solar fee! Docket #E-01345A-13-0248

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We should be encouraging more consumers to go solar not discouraging them. As more and consumers go solar, fewer polluting power plants will be needed. Please turn down this proposal.

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Sincerely, Dr. Dorothy Rissel Ms. Carolyn Brown 21115 N Carrillo Trl Surprise, AZ 85387-8285 (602) 620-4494

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Sincerely, Ms. Carolyn Brown Mr. Lonnie Whittington 6842 N 4th Pl Phoenix, AZ 85012-1012 (602) 264-2283

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Sincerely, Dr. Sally Rings Ms. Nancy Santori 102 E Briles Rd Phoenix, AZ 85085-2832 (623) 780-4734

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I want you to know that I do not have rooftop solar. Years ago I did join the APS campaign "solar partners" at no benefit for me to support solar energy, I donated \$7.00 a month. APS appeared then to be enthusiastic about the benefits of solar energy. APS indicated that "Solar Partners" funds would be used toward building their first solar plant. It seems to me that installing rooftop solar (for those who can afford it) is an even larger donation toward reducing need for more solar plants. For those of us who have tried in our own way to support the growth of solar energy, it has been very discouraging to see our utility companies acting in ways that dissuade consumers from investing in rooftop solar. As an Arizona resident I wish we could realize the great potential that our state has to be THE LEADER in solar energy.

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Ms. Lorraine Menaker Mrs. Marlena Machol 7154 W Pontiac Dr Glendale, AZ 85308-9647 (623) 476-5928

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Arizona should be the solar energy capital of the world, and we would be if not for the greedy, stupid and short-sighted antics of those who benefit from keeping us dependent on fossil fuels.

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Sincerely, Mrs. Marlena Machol Mr. William Whitlock 18006 W Westfall Way Surprise, AZ 85374-2950 (623) 975-3204

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You and your company should be sued for corruption and conflict of interest. Stay out of our Solar World.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Mr. William Whitlock Mr. Eric & Cedra Spragett 1744 S Contention Ln Cottonwood, AZ 86326-4901 (602) 283-4700

May 15, 2015

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Sincerely, Mr. Eric & Cedra Spragett Ms. Nancy Miller 655 Coal Dr Prescott, AZ 86301-5850

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Since we here in Arizona have so much sunshine and have it all year 'round, we can be leaders in using solar energy instead of energy from sources that pollute the atmosphere and add to global warming.

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Sincerely, Ms. Nancy Miller Ms. Jeanne Devine 3323 S McAllister Ave Tempe, AZ 85282-5309 (480) 968-4987

May 20, 2015

Arizona Corporation Commission 1200 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007

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APS responded by donating millions of dollars to defeat pro-solar candidates for the ACC. Why doesn't APS invest those millions into closing its coal plants and investing in clean jobs and clean energy?

APS tries to deceive the public; but it knows that solar benefits include less water use, less pollution, and less need for additional power plants and other infrastructure.

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