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Date: 4/16/2015 Corporation Commission

Complaint Description: 19S Solar
08A Rate Case Items - Opposed

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First: **Last:**

Complaint By: Anthony Black

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Account Name: Anthony Black

Home: (000) 000-0000

Street:

ORIGINAL

Work:

City: Phoenix

CBR:

State: AZ **Zip:** 85000

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Utility Company: Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Division: Electric

Contact Name:

Contact Phone:

Nature of Complaint:

Docket No. E-01575A-15-0127

This is in reference to SSVECs petition/waiver submitted via Docket # E-01575A-15-0127
I am requesting that you to attach the below comments to this SSVECs waiver for all commissioners/reviewers to see.

I've sent the below to two News Channel Teams petitioning them to follow-up and research, investigate, and make people aware so that they can comment to the ACC, I am also trying to collect additional remarks to be submitted ... but I do not the waiver to go unchallenged, so I submit the below as a start. I am 100% for alternative solutions that may reduce our impact to the environment, drive down costs, etc.

Issues that should be addressed to the ACC:

1. I Oppose the SSVECs request for a waiver to NET Metering.
SSVEC notified it's customers of their intent to stop NET Metering on the day the mailed the attached.
Interesting: Anybody who has not submitted for the NET Meter by 14 April 2015 is basically out, pending the vote (waiver approval) by the ACC.
If SSVEC was being up front about this process, why didn't they notify customers in advance to give them a warning of the proposed action?
2. SSVEC proposes to be the sole provider of electric (solar or not).
SSVEC wants to build their own solar array. They don't want the public producing energy and (The public has helped them meet the Green mandate, now they apparently want to cut the customers out)
It is apparent that SSVEC wants to monopolize the generation and sales of electric, putting the consumer in a position that is NOT beneficial. If they control all sources, they may charge what ever they want. - They want as customers/consumers only.
3. SSVEC claims:

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- They pay retail prices for solar produced by members: Not sure this claim is totally true. Maybe they are referring to credits; meaning the credits they post to a solar customers account is reimbursable at the same rate as they are billing that customer for usage.

- Solar customers pay little to nothing for the use of the poles and wire.
Early last year they raised their meter fees ... rationale: to defray the costs of infrastructure. (another flyer I received earlier ... I will have to find a copy of that)

- Solar customers (making up 2%) are free loading for the other 98%
Are we talking about 2% of the customer base demolishing SSVEC's profit?
This needs to be challenged.

- The solar subsidy is unfair to non-solar members?
We need an explanation. How is the government sponsored subsidy unfair to those who choose to or cannot afford Solar?

- SSVEC seems to claim that they are having a hard time sustaining the grid. Have they produced facts indicating that they are in trouble keeping pace with maintenance, sustainability, etc?

- Solar energy produced by home systems are unreliable - because the weather (time of sun) is inconsistent page 2 ... but then SSVEC tells how they will become more effective in the production of cheaper electric when THEY complete their solar systems.

Apparently these systems will not rely on weather or earth rotational issues.

4. Why is SSVEC so opposed to methods of driving costs down for the consumer?

Contrary to the Article: In my 14 years with SSVEC I have NEVER received a rebate or cost savings on my electric bill until I paid for the implementation of Solar at my residence.

5. Lastly, SSVEC states that TEP, Unisource, APS, SRP, and TRICO are all seeking the same waiver to NET Metering.

End of Complaint

Utilities' Response:

Investigator's Comments and Disposition:

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Emailed to the Phoenix ACC office for docketing.

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End of Comments

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