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Subject: Reject APS request for higher penalty on solar customers, Docket # E-01345A-13-0248

Dear Arizona Corporation Commission:

My name is Joseph Rocco Catalano. I am an APS customer in Flagstaff and it has recently come to my attention that APS has asked for another increase for the use of rooftop solar in APS territory. I am writing this letter to you in hopes of encouraging you to do the right thing and reject APS's request for a higher penalty for rooftop solar. This proposal by APS is a travesty, should it go through.

Solar power is not only a sustainable source of energy, it's also a clean energy source. In a growing city like Phoenix, solar power would and has the ability to add reliability to the grid. Also it can reduce vulnerability to unplanned outages at power plants. Solar power has many benefits, from less pollution to less need for additional power plants, but most of all the greatest benefit is solar uses less water.

Now the real issue is money. APS has over one million customers in Arizona most of whom do not use solar power and many are unlikely to convert to solar unless the costs continue to come down. That is why adding costs to for solar customers is such a problem.

It is clear that APS is only worried about producing profits and has no regards for the environment or the people of Arizona. This type of request by APS makes it clear that their goal is to keep the people subservient instead of self-determined.

I hope that you truly consider the fact that APS has no right to tax those who choose to harness the energy produced by the sun and do the right thing by rejecting APS's request for a higher penalty on solar customers.

Thank you for your time have a great day.

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