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Docket # E-04204A-15-0142

Re: UNS rate case

Dear Chairman Little and Members of the Arizona Corporation Commission:

Tucson Mountains Association is writing to urge you to **oppose** the additional mandatory fees and the other attacks on rooftop solar proposed by UNS Electric in their rate case.

The Tucson Mountains Association (TMA) is the resident association of record, since 1939, for a large area spanning portions of the City of Tucson, unincorporated Pima County and Marana.

Many Tucson Mountains residents have rooftop solar installations on their homes.

The UNS rate case is the first of several rate cases to be argued before the ACC this year and next, and could set a negative precedent for Arizona electricity customers. As customers of Tucson Electric Power, we oppose huge increases in mandatory fees, demand charges on all residential customers, or new penalties on rooftop solar in our service area.

UNS's proposal to raise monthly mandatory fees from \$10 to \$15 and to impose a new 'demand charge' on all customers would have a very negative impact on middle class families and those who conserve energy. These new charges would serve as a disincentive to energy conservation, increasing our state's dependence on dirty, polluting fossil fuels like coal and natural gas. Water is a huge and growing issue in Arizona, and these energy sources require much more water to produce energy compared with solar power.

Energy conservation helps Arizona save precious water, reduce pollution, and saves customers money on their electric bills. UNS's proposal is a regressive measure that would set a negative precedent, potentially harming customers across the state. Please oppose the mandatory fees, demand charges, and additional rooftop solar penalties as proposed by UNS Electric.

Thank you,

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