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Dear Chairman Little and Members of the Arizona Corporation Commission:

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Broadly speaking, UNS, TEP and parent, Fortis, seem to want a rate increase for customers with rooftop solar. We are leasing our equipment for 106.37/month after a \$5,000 investment with a projected total savings of \$5,000 after 20 years. If this projection does occur, that is a savings of 68 cents a day or \$250 a year—equivalent to one Tucson summer month of use. Who is it that thinks this is somehow cheating other users by providing overage to TEP that they would have to produce some other way anyhow. We are doing this minuscule thing that would be magnified when others are able to do the same thing. Why exactly is TEP encouraging solar on its website if it is not a good thing for them? Why had the legislature made this state of all places unattractive to companies like Sungevity to do business here? Why would the Arizona Corporation Commission not see through that and encourage reasonable competition in solar, not make it more difficult for businesses and consumers in an old fashion cooperative way? The added efficiency solar provides during peak usage in the summer is enough for power companies to encourage more, not less housetop solar. That would be helping the grid more than pennies worth kwh increase.

Also, is it really about paying for the use of the grid, cheating my neighbor by providing power to TEP (ie, UNS, Fortis} for them to sell or is it something else entirely; perhaps stifling competition and increasing profits? It certainly isn't about helping us prosper (which from a community standpoint mean more than saving on utility bills).

Sincerely,

George and Armena Franks

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