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Rate Case Items - Demand/ Opposed

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Nature Of Opinion

Docket Number: E-04204A-15-0142 Docket Position: Against

From: Michael Kutcher
Sent: Thursday, July 21, 2016 4:00 PM
To: Utilities Div - Mailbox <UtilitiesDiv@azcc.gov>
Subject: Reject the UNS proposal to eliminate net metering!

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Dear Arizona Corporation Commission,

Please reject UniSource Energy's proposal (Docket E-04204A-15-0142) to eliminate net metering and impose discriminatory demand charges on solar customers.

UniSource is attempting to make these changes retroactive to customers who installed distributed generation systems after June 1, 2015, punishing customers who made substantial investments over a year ago. The ACC must protect these customers, and ensure that future customers maintain their right to go solar without financial repercussions.

To date, no ACC-commissioned studies have indicated that net metering in Arizona is harmful to customers, and no convincing evidence has been presented by UniSource to indicate that net metering needs to change. States across the country have conducted studies that show net metering to be an equitable policy that provides substantial benefits to all ratepayers. Changing net metering without supporting evidence, and implementing rates that would make solar uneconomic, would be an enormous disservice to all UniSource customers.

UniSource Energy received such immense public opposition in response to their proposal for demand charges for all customers that they were forced to revert back to their original proposal to impose demand charges on solar customers only. Demand charges disproportionately impact customers while they are home with their families, cooking dinner, doing laundry, and enjoying the amenities they work hard for. In fact, demand charges more severely impact low energy users, like solar customers, who have made substantial investments to reduce their overall energy use while reducing costs for all ratepayers.

Please join the hundreds of Arizonans who have spoken out against UniSource's discriminatory, unsubstantiated, and unfair proposal and please reject UniSource's obvious attempt to overcharge solar customers and stifle solar growth and innovation in Arizona.

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If you rather join UniSource and allowing their rate hikes to proceed through I will find and support other commissioners that are actually willing to support the community of arizona to transform their energy grid into a clean renewable state and any local residents willing to invest heavily into ANY green energy to be able to benefit from it just as well as the dirty fossil fuel industry has done for centuries. It's time for them to retire are you going to retire them or retire with them.

Regards,

Michael Kutcher

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7/21/2016	Roxanne Best	Email	Investigation
Comments noted for record and docketed. Closed.			
