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Rate Case Items - Demand/ Opposed

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Company: Tucson Electric Power Company **Division**: Electric

Nature Of Opinion

Docket Number: E-01933A-15-0322 **Docket Position:** Against

Dear Commissioners, Several aspects of the TEP docket concern me: 1. Any implementation of demand charges that are not equally assessed against all customers whose usage profile produces equal or greater impact on Utility management of production or distribution. I see no reason why a household solar customer's excess demand should be any different from a non-solar customer who turns on air conditioning, hot water heat, cooking stove and dishwasher during the same periods. I have no issue with demand charges that are implemented equally and fairly. 2. The concept of applying a surcharge to customers that own self-generation facilities appears to be well beyond reason. The mere existence of the facilities produces no impact on the utility if the owner consumes the power generated by the generation facilities. 3. Time of day charges, like demand charges, should be applied to all classes of customers equally, not focused solely on customers with self generation facilities. 4. There is value to TEP for the power generated by customers with self-generation capacity. There are business and residential customers who are willing to pay higher rates for clean energy. I believe TEP should take advantage of this by selling customers' excess solar generation. 5. All customers should fairly pay for maintenance of the Transmission infrastructure. however those costs should not be intermingled with consumption charges. It would be prudent to separate charges on all customer bills into administrative, generation, and distribution charges will all residential customers paying equal administrative and distribution charges. 6. Utilities, their PACs and their senior staff should be forbidden from contributing to campaigns of those agencies that regulate Utility rates and rules. Thank you for considering my view on these issues. Robert Meling

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