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## **Antonia Hover**

From: Office of Commissioner Fay
Sent: Monday, June 3, 2024 4:58 PM
To: Commissioner Correspondence

Subject: Docket No. 20240000

**Attachments:** In Rust We Trust; In Rust We Trust

Please place the attached emails in Docket No. 20240000

## **Antonia Hover**

From:dd dd <jrmbnym95@gmail.com>Sent:Sunday, June 2, 2024 1:15 PMTo:Office of Commissioner Fay

**Subject:** In Rust We Trust

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Dear Commissioner Fay,

Economists say that if the price of grid storage drops to \$20/kWh, fossil fuels will not be competitive with renewables. That is now on the verge of happening with a battery based on rust!

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Form Energy's iron-air battery offers low cost (\$20/kWh), long duration (100-150 hours), safety (non-flammable), and recyclability. All of these are key advantages over lithium-ion batteries for grid-scale energy storage. It can store energy for 100 hrs.

Although rust batteries are less efficient (50% vs. 95%), that doesn't matter in places like California and Texas, where there is a surplus of renewable energy. And as solar and wind get cheaper, there will be more and more states in this situation.

The upshot? New fossil fuel infrastructure is a bad investment - not just for ecologically, but financially. No new fossil fuel infrastructure, period!

Sincerely,

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Palm Bay, Florida

## **Antonia Hover**

From: Home <jkkandl@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, May 31, 2024 5:30 AM
To: Office of Commissioner Fay

**Subject:** In Rust We Trust

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Dear Chairman Fay,

I'm a mother who fears for my family in a warming world.

Economists say that if the price of grid storage drops to \$20/kWh, fossil fuels will not be competitive with renewables. That is now on the verge of happening with a battery based on rust!

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Form Energy's iron-air battery offers low cost (\$20/kWh), long duration (100-150 hours), safety (non-flammable), and recyclability. All of these are key advantages over lithium-ion batteries for grid-scale energy storage. It can store energy for 100 hrs. However, it has lower efficiency (50% vs. 95%), slower charging, and larger size/weight than lithium batteries.

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Sincerely,

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Pompano Beach, Florida