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From: Jacob Veaughn on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Wednesday, September 2, 2020 12:27 PM

To: 'jeanetsinger@comcast.net'

Cc: Consumer Contact

Subject: RE: Protect our solar rights! Docket: 2020-0000

Good afternoon, Jean Etsinger

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20200000 and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

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From: jeanetsinger@everyactioncustom.com < jeanetsinger@everyactioncustom.com >

Sent: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 4:12 PM To: Records Clerk < CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>

Subject: Protect our solar rights! Docket: 2020-0000

Dear Florida Public Service Commission,

Solar paneling is our sustainable future. It is in our interest as Americans and Floridians to have the benefit to solar power for homeowners and businesses of net metering for power use.

Amid a public health and economic crisis is not the time to make changes to solar rights that will hurt jobs and take money out of people's pockets.

Going into the pandemic, Florida ranked fourth among the states in electricity produced from solar panels, sustaining an industry employing more than 12,000 people. Before this crisis began, "solar installer" was the fastest growing job in the country, employing 250,000 people. Due to the pandemic, Florida has already lost 22 percent of its workforce due to economic uncertainty, and this could get worse.

It only make sense that Florida people and businesses be able to choose how they power their lives. Solar panels and batteries contribute to the resilience of the electric grid. During hurricane season, Floridians need more tools – not fewer – to weather storms. Please defend solar workers, business owners, and homeowners from additional uncertainty by preserving net metering here in Florida.

Sincerely, Jean Etsinger 5011 Barrington Cir Sarasota, FL 34234-3882