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From: Brian Schultz on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Friday, September 04, 2020 9:02 AM
To: 'rebeccarelgeiz@gmail.com'
Cc: Consumer Contact
Subject: RE: Protect our solar rights! Docket: 2020-0000

Good Morning, Rebecca Ziegler

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

Sincerely,

Brian Schultz
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Florida Public Service Commission
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From: rebeccarelgeiz@everyactioncustom.com <rebeccarelgeiz@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, September 04, 2020 4:00 AM
To: Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>
Subject: Protect our solar rights! Docket: 2020-0000

Dear Florida Public Service Commission,

I recently had rooftop solar installed at my home. Though I generate more electricity than I use, I will always have a monthly FPL bill. We are working during the day when the panels are at their most productive and home in the evenings and night when they are non productive. This is true for most residential users. My rooftop solar benefits FPL, who has stated they are relying on residential rooftop electricity generation to meet their 40% of their commitment to clean energy. They NEED homeowners.

It is obscene to me that a FOR PROFIT company paying multiple tiers of CEOs tens of millions of dollars each AND bonuses when they are not meeting their commitments.

I don't mind my overproduction feeding the grid. I DO MIND that I bear the risk of buying and maintaining a system that makes FPL (and its parent company) executives even wealthier.

Net metering is FAIR.

Before COVID-19, the Sunshine state produced the 4th most electricity from solar panels in the country, and employed over 12,000 people. Before this crisis began, “solar installer” was the fastest growing job in the country, and our industry employed 250,000 people. The COVID-19 crisis could put half, 125,000, of these jobs at risk in communities across the United States. Florida has already lost 22% of its workforce due to economic uncertainty, and this could get worse.

People and businesses across the state rely on common sense solar policies to take control of their own energy, and choose how they power their lives.

Solar panels and batteries contribute to the resilience of the electric grid. As we enter hurricane season, Floridians need more tools – not less – in order to weather all the storms that are coming our way.

Please defend solar workers, business owners, and homeowners from additional uncertainty by preserving net metering here in Florida.

Sincerely,
Rebecca Ziegler
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