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## **Brian Schultz**

From: Cristina Slaton

Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2020 4:00 PM

**To:** Commissioner Correspondence

**Subject:** Docket Correspondence

**Attachments:** I support Solar Choice in the Sunshine State - Docket 2020-0000; Protect net metering;

Protect our solar rights! Docket 2020-0000

Good afternoon,

Please place the attached emails in CORRESPONDENCE-Consumers & Representatives in docket 20200000-OT.

Thank you,

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## **Brian Schultz**

From: mixedbyserg@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Rv Ramirez

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**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 3:00 PM

**To:** Office of Commissioner Polmann

**Subject:** I support Solar Choice in the Sunshine State - Docket: 2020-0000

Dear Commissioner Donald Polmann,

As we struggle with a global pandemic, an economic crisis, and an active hurricane season, it is not the time to create more uncertainty by signaling a change in solar policies that are helping to make our state a leader in clean solar power and providing good paying local jobs.

At the start of 2020, Florida was ranked 4th in the nation for solar energy production, employing thousands of people and powering the Sunshine State with clean, affordable, homegrown energy. The economic downturn has already put many of these jobs and future solar development at risk - we don't need sudden regulatory changes in solar policies to create even more uncertainty here in Florida.

Our current net metering rule allows a number of Floridians to grow a segment of the solar market by choosing to power their homes and businesses with Florida's number one natural resource, sunshine. Florida citizens and customers overwhelmingly support the current successful net metering policy allowing compensation for the solar energy they generate and provide to the electricity grid.

Please protect the opportunity for business and homeowners to generate clean solar power and support local jobs by preserving our successful net metering rules here in Florida.

Sincerely, Rv Ramirez Brandon, FL 33510 mixedbyserg@gmail.com

## **Brian Schultz**

From: Jennifer Andreani < Jennifer.Andreani.371720118@p2a.co>

Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2020 2:17 PM

**To:** Office of Commissioner Polmann

**Subject:** Protect net metering

Dear Commissioner Donald Polmann,

The middle of a public health and economic crisis is not the time to create more uncertainty by making changes to solar rights that will hurt jobs and take money out of people's pockets.

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.

Regards, Jennifer Andreani 1000 11th St N St. Petersburg, FL 33705

## **Brian Schultz**

From: daliseral@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Laura D'Alisera

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Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2020 11:45 AM

**To:** Office of Commissioner Polmann

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

Dear Commissioner Donald J. Polmann,

Aas a Floridian, I acknowledge my role in combating climate change. Amid a public health and economic crisis, it's clear that Florida's electric utilities should be doing a whole lot more to promote rooftop solar - a known job creator that keeps money in families' pockets.

Before COVID-19, "solar installer" was the fastest growing job in the country, and the solar 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. In the Sunshine state, before this crisis began, the solar industry employed over 12,000 Floridians. Now, over 1 million Floridians are unemployed, and Florida has already lost 22% of its workforce.

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

Not only does solar create jobs and save us money, but when paired with batteries, solar panels can contribute to the resilience of the electric grid and provide back-up power in emergencies. As we face another intense hurricane season, Floridians need more tools – not fewer – in order to weather all the storms that are coming our way.

Thank you for defending solar workers, business owners, and residents by protecting our bedrock solar policies here in Florida.

Sincerely, Laura D'Alisera 11874 Clearwater Oaks Dr W Jacksonville, FL 32223-4042