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Please place the attached in Docket No. 20200181.

Thank you!

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Dear Commissioner Passidomo,

Please find attached my post-workshop comments.

Kind regards,  
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**Re. : Goals for Electric Utilities**  
**POST WORKSHOP COMMENTS**  
**Proposed amendment of Rule 25-17.0021, F.A.C. Docket No.20200181**

Sarasota June 25th 2021

Dear Commissioner Passidomo,

The audio quality at the last workshop was lamentable due to the rough telephone connection. Therefore I would like file my workshop speech in writing to this docket:

This commission is far removed from considering the full potential of demand-side renewable energy systems.

**First,** Demand-side solar system operators in Florida are currently compensated for their surplus electricity by using the “AS-AVAILABLE” energy tariff.

Avoided greenhouse gas emissions and carbon neutral solar-electricity produced at more expensive “PEAK” hours are being ignored.

This must change!

Onto the useless liability insurance for Tier 2 solar systems:

Chairman Clark; during the Renewable Generation Workshop in 2020 you asked your staff experts the following question: “***What liability does the insurance cover? What is the inherent risk? Is there one?***”

Your staff replied: “***I don’t believe there is; electrically.***”

Commissioner Graham, back in 2019 you told NY Times reporter Mr Ivan Penn that “..you think you could definitely do some things differently.”

According to your own experts, the insurance for Tier 2 solar systems is a senseless liability insurance which does not cover any real liability. What have you done differently since then to abolish this unbearable situation?

What kind of unarticulated risks are here at play other than FPL facing competition from business owners and homeowners who want to operate cost effective solar systems that break even instead of losing money?

Next, FPL issues solar permits based on “*115% of the customer’s past annual kWh consumption. This is subjective, arbitrary and not supported by any solar system owner or contractor that I have met.* You Allow FPL to cripple the capacity of demand-side solar systems during the permitting process, sabotaging the full potential of demand-side solar systems to grow and blossom!

Our family home has just celebrated 3 years of generating a slight surplus of electricity. We also celebrate 3 years of willfully violating our Tier1 Interconnect agreement with FPL.

Instead of the initially permitted 10KW with 39 solar panels, we chose to almost double that, which has allowed us to already reach carbon-neutral electricity generation in 2018.

A significant portion of our solar generating power is now contributed by GismoPower, a new Solar Carport concept designed by our daughter Antonia Ginsberg-Klemmt. Her invention just won her \$10,000 and the national recognition as the 2021 OZY Genius Award winner. If we are not sent to jail for violating the Tier 1 agreement we will be installing the second GismoPower prototype for New College of Florida in Sarasota.

You have the jurisdiction to make Antonia’s GismoPower fully legal and easy to permit for everyone who has a sufficient large breaker panel. Please take the full technical potential of demand-side solar systems into consideration and rewrite

the goals for Florida's electric utilities in a way that these corporations cannot act as quasi-governmental regulators. Please act now.

Sincerely,

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