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To: <u>Lee Eng Tan</u>

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Mr. Tan,

I am a solar installer by trade. I love my job, it pays well and I feel good about what I'm doing for the future of this state. There could be lots more folks like me, working in the industry, if FL were to step up to the plate and begin to develop its tremendous solar resources.

Solar is not only clean and renewable, it's the only significant homegrown energy resource we currently have available. For energy security reasons alone, we should be pursuing it with everything we've got.

I'm writing to you in support of stronger solar and clean energy policies for our state. More specifically, I'm asking the PSC to:

- 1) Protect net metering, which allows solar customers to feed electricity they don't use back into the power grid, preserving the right of all Floridians to install solar panels on their homes and businesses without being subject to punitive fees and charges by power companies.
- 2) Allow Florida residents to save money on their electricity bills through third-party sales of solar power, where solar businesses pay for and install solar systems on individual properties and sell the electricity generated to the customer at a fixed rate.
- 3) Move our state away from expensive and polluting new fossil fuel and nuclear power plants by integrating cost-effective solar energy instead.

Thank you and I hope to hear from you on this issue, Jason

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"To be hopeful in bad times is not just foolishly romantic. It is based on the fact that human history is a history not only of cruelty, but also of compassion, sacrifice, courage, kindness...The future is an infinite succession of presents, and to live now as we think human beings should live, in defiance of all that is bad around us, is itself a marvelous victory."

-Howard Zinn