

From: [William Claiborn](#)
To: [Lee Eng Tan](#)
Subject: Solar Development in Florida
Date: Thursday, June 18, 2015 2:04:39 PM

I am writing to encourage the PSC to aggressively support a variety of approaches which will encourage solar development. There are very very few downsides to solar power, the cost is increasingly competitive and there is little harm to the biosphere, as compared to fossil fuels, or disposal of nuclear waste. Parts of the solution should include the continuation of net metering (and even improving it so that net gains can be carried forward at year end and that the rate of reimbursement is higher, especially since the excess electricity is generated and made available during peak hours.)

There is an exciting model at work in California which allows localities to create entities which can purchase power on the market, including and especially renewable power and make it available to its residents, paying the local utility a fair return for using the infrastructure. The PSC should look at this as a model for Florida.

As we move forward to meet the challenge of climate change, Florida has the opportunity to utilize its great availability of solar energy to good effect. The PSC should be a leader in this by facilitating expansion of solar power and creating market opportunities, rather than monopoly control. Further it should be setting standards for percent of power which is renewable, aiming toward 100% over the next decade.

Thank you for your consideration.