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Veronica Washington

Sent:

Monday, September 7, 2020 4:05 PM

To:

**Commissioner Correspondence** 

Subject:

Docket No 20200000

**Attachments:** 

Protect our solar rights! Docket 2020-0000; Net-Metering Works for Floridians; {BULK} Net-Metering Works for Floridians; Protect our solar rights! Docket 2020-0000; Protect

our solar rights! Docket 2020-0000; Protect our solar rights! Docket 2020-0000

Please place the attached emails in Docket No 20200000

Thanks

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From:

Gregory Esteve < Gregory. Esteve. 231963114@p2a.co>

Sent:

Monday, September 7, 2020 8:27 AM

To:

Office of Commissioner Fay

Subject:

Protect our solar rights! Docket: 2020-0000

Dear Commissioner Andrew Giles Fay,

Time and time again, Florida's voters have made their support for policies meant to encourage the spread of rooftop solar clear. In 2016 voters rejected the utility-driven "Amendment 1", which would have prohibited the subsidization of solar energy, and approved 'Amendment 4', which provided tax exemptions for rooftop solar customers.

Florida is in the middle of a public health and economic crisis. Undermining the rights of solar customers to receive full compensation for the power they produce will hurt jobs and take money out of people's pockets. Now is not the time to create more uncertainty by changing the fundamental economic landscape of the solar industry.

Before COVID-19, the Sunshine state produced the fourth most electricity from solar panels in the country, led the country in new solar jobs, 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 threaten up to 125,000 of these jobs across the United States. Florida is struggling with an above 10% unemployment rate since May and the economic hardship could get worse if you end retail-rate net metering.

People and businesses across the state rely on commonsense solar policies to take control of their own energy. Solar benefits Floridians' safety too. Solar panels and batteries contribute to the resilience of the electric grid. As we progress through 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, homeowners, and our environment from additional uncertainty by preserving retail compensation for net metering here in Florida.

Thank you, Gregory Esteve 3655 N Scenic Hwy Lake Wales, FL 33898

From:

MICHELLE SOLANO <michelle@sunvena.com>

Sent:

Monday, September 7, 2020 11:51 AM

To:

Office of Chairman Clark; Office of Commissioner Graham; Office of Commissioner

Polmann; Office of Commissioner Fay; Office of Commissioner Brown

**Subject:** 

Net-Metering Works for Floridians

Dear Commissioners,

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.

Sincerely,

MICHELLE SOLANO

Ms MICHELLE SOLANO michelle@sunvena.com 302 S Oak Avenue SANFORD, FL 32771

From:

Linda Warrick < lcwinfl@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, September 7, 2020 1:05 PM

To:

Office of Chairman Clark; Office of Commissioner Graham; Office of Commissioner

Polmann; Office of Commissioner Fay; Office of Commissioner Brown

Subject:

{BULK} Net-Metering Works for Floridians

Importance:

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Sincerely,

Linda Warrick

Ms Linda Warrick lcwinfl@yahoo.com 33711

From:

Ginger Goepper < Ginger.Goepper.213119823@p2a.co>

Sent:

Monday, September 7, 2020 2:56 PM

To:

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Subject:

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Thank you, Ginger Goepper 9815 Harrell Ave Treasure Island, FL 33706

From:

Michael Whitworth < Michael. Whitworth. 358837493@p2a.co>

Sent:

Monday, September 7, 2020 2:59 PM

To:

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Subject:

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I installed solar in 2019 based on the law that provided for net metering and the fact that my utility offered this.

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Thank you, Michael Whitworth 5116 Jewell Terrace Palm Harbor, FL 34685

From:

Karolyn Burns < Karolyn.Burns.358838519@p2a.co>

Sent:

Monday, September 7, 2020 3:02 PM

To:

Office of Commissioner Fay

Subject:

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Thank you, Karolyn Burns 8457 Manor Dr Tallahassee, FL 32303