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From: Collin Roehner on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Monday, September 14, 2020 11:02 AM

To: 'pattyger@yahoo.com'
Cc: Consumer Contact

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

Good morning Miss Gergen,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20200000 and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you,

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From: pattyger@everyactioncustom.com <pattyger@everyactioncustom.com>

Sent: Monday, September 14, 2020 5:58 AM To: Records Clerk < CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>

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

Dear Florida PSC Commissioners,

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.

I am just now planning to install solar. I am 68 and it will take almost all that I have in the bank to install. It is my plan to invest in my future. While I believe in the environmental good that solar does for our state, net metering will be the only way I can afford solar.

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, Patricia Gergen Sarasota, FL 34231 pattyger@yahoo.com