## **Antonia Hover**

From: Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Tuesday, September 15, 2020 2:12 PM

To: 'tmaccabe@gmail.com'
Cc: Consumer Contact

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

Good Afternoon, Mr. MacCabe.

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

Thank you!

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

Sent: Tuesday, September 15, 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,

Now 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.

The current net metering rule also provides a way for small individual solar electricity producers to be fairly compensated for any electricity they produce that can be returned to the grid and used elsewhere. Changing this arrangement so utility companies can use this excess electricity without compensating the generator would be unfair. Removing the opportunity to be compensated or return the excess to the grid for use by someone else would also result in the waste of good clean energy.

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, Thomas MacCabe Gotha, FL 34734 tmaccabe@gmail.com