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From: Jacob Veaghn on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Tuesday, September 15, 2020 1:03 PM
To: 'kimm2649@gmail.com'
Cc: Consumer Contact
Subject: RE: Protect our solar rights! Docket: 2020-0000

Good afternoon, Kim Morrissey

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.

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From: kimm2649@everyactioncustom.com <kimm2649@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 15, 2020 4:19 AM
To: Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>
Subject: Protect our solar rights! Docket: 2020-0000

Dear Florida Public Service Commission,

My husband and I have recently signed a contract for solar electricity to power our home, we are awaiting our installation day. One of the reasons we chose to go ahead with this project was the fact that FL has net metering. Without that incentive, we likely would not have taken on such an expensive project. To hear that net metering is under attack once again is very disheartening. The utility companies should not be gaining free electricity from any excess that we generate, while charging market rates to others for that free electricity. Where I live, we have Duke Energy, which has the highest rates of anyplace we've ever lived in the past, and perhaps the highest rates of any other companies doing business in Florida. Those high rates are another reason we chose to go ahead with this project. We look at it like we are pre-paying for our electric needs for the next 7 - 10 years, which is how long it will take us to break even. If you remove net metering, the break even point will be even longer, making our investment questionable.

Further, if net metering goes away, the solar industry and all it's employees will suffer. Fewer people will feel it's worthwhile to add solar panels to their homes. The more people who add solar, the less strain there will be on the grid for everyone else, which seems pretty important to me.

Please do the job that your commission was created for - and protect the PUBLIC, not the electric companies.

Sincerely,
Kim Morrissey
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