From:

Hannah Barker

Sent:

Thursday, September 24, 2020 1:44 PM

To:

Commissioner Correspondence

Subject:

Docket Correspondence

Attachments:

Protect our solar rights! Docket 2020-0000; Protect our solar rights! Docket 2020-0000; I support Solar Choice in the Sunshine State - Docket 2020-0000; Protect our solar rights!

Docket 2020-0000; I urge you to preserve solar net metering - Docket 2020-0000; Protect our solar rights! Docket 2020-0000; I support Solar Choice in the Sunshine State - Docket 2020-0000; Protect our solar rights!

Docket 2020-0000

Good afternoon,

Please place the attached emails in Docket No. 20200000.

Hannah E. Barker

Executive Assistant to Chairman Clark Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.

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To:

From: sally.b.philips@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sally Philips

Office of Chairman Clark

<sally.b.philips@everyactioncustom.com>

Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2020 1:09 PM

Subject: Protect our solar rights! Docket: 2020-0000

Dear Commissioner Gary F. Clark,

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I have had solar power for years. I pay a fee for being connected to the grid. I get a bit over 2 cents for every kWh I contribute to FP&L. However, they turn around and charge over 8 cents for the same kWh. This exchange is not fair. I can understand paying to be connected to the grid they built and mostly maintain. I don't understand why FPL makes so much of a profit from my kWhs. If they aren't making enough profit, perhaps they should stop pouring money into self-promoting, self-congratulatory advertisement.

Thank you for defending solar workers, business owners, and residents by protecting our bedrock solar policies here in Florida.

Sincerely,
Sally Philips
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From:

annerunyon@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of anne runyon

<annerunyon@everyactioncustom.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 24, 2020 1:07 PM

To:

Office of Chairman Clark

Subject:

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Sincerely, anne runyon 4879 Cerromar Dr Naples, FL 34112-7918

From:

gwilsonmgoblue@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Greg Wilson

<gwilsonmgoblue@everyactioncustom.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 24, 2020 12:03 PM

To:

Office of Chairman Clark

Subject:

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

Dear Commissioner Gary Clark,

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.

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, Greg Wilson Deltona, FL 32725 gwilsonmgoblue@gmail.com

From:

karen@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Karen Budney

<karen@everyactioncustom.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 24, 2020 11:52 AM

To:

Office of Chairman Clark

Subject:

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Sincerely, Karen Budney 12312 Eagleswood Dr Bayonet Point, FL 34667-2480

From:

Donna Greene

bigdhlwd@aol.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 24, 2020 11:52 AM

To:

Office of Chairman Clark

Subject:

I urge you to preserve solar net metering - Docket: 2020-0000

Gary Clark

Florida Public Service Commission

RE: I urge you to preserve solar net metering - Docket: 2020-0000

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We should be doing everything we can to encourage businesses and homeowners to tap into the clean, renewable power of the sun, not undercutting the rights of solar owners by making changes.

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 also 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, Donna Greene 526 N Rainbow Dr Hollywood, FL 33021

From: dodiealber@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Delores Alber

<dodiealber@everyactioncustom.com>

Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2020 11:15 AM

To: Office of Chairman Clark

Subject: Protect our solar rights! Docket: 2020-0000

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People and businesses across the state rely on common sense solar policies to take control of their own energy, save money, and choose how they power their lives. We need to preserve net metering to protect the investment we have made in solar energy and energy resilience.

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Thank you for defending solar workers, business owners, and residents by protecting our bedrock solar policies here in Florida.

Sincerely, Delores Alber Apalachicola, FL 32320

From:

rb62035@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Rose Bray <rb62035

@everyactioncustom.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 24, 2020 11:10 AM

To:

Office of Chairman Clark

Subject:

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Sincerely, Rose Bray 3122 Glenridge Cir Merritt Island, FL 32953-2962

From:

li@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Ligia Cohen <li@everyactioncustom.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 24, 2020 10:09 AM

To:

Office of Chairman Clark

Subject:

Protect our solar rights! Docket: 2020-0000

Dear Commissioner Gary F. Clark,

Florida has made many efforts to support #veteranjobs and #vetOwned small businesses. Reversing net-metering will torpedo those efforts in the solar industry.

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Sincerely, Ligia Cohen 14906 Devonshire Woods Pl Tampa, FL 33624-2240

To:

From: markgonos@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of MARK GONOS

Office of Chairman Clark

<markgonos@everyactioncustom.com>

Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2020 10:08 AM

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Sincerely, MARK GONOS 190 N Lake Ave Pahokee, FL 33476-1860

From:

qabcterp@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Warren Amon

<qabcterp@everyactioncustom.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 24, 2020 9:57 AM

To:

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Sincerely, Warren Amon Largo, FL 33778 qabcterp@hotmail.com

From:

jimihen1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of James Hendrix <jimihen1

@everyactioncustom.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 24, 2020 9:50 AM

To:

Office of Chairman Clark

Subject:

Protect our solar rights! Docket: 2020-0000

Dear Commissioner Gary F. Clark,

One thing we Floridians know is how powerful the sun is. We love it here, and we love to say just how hot it is on any given day. And every time I think about how intense the sun is on those days, I am struck by how obvious using that free energy is as a necessity in this state and what a waste it is that we, as a society, continue to wade in ignorance protecting one fossil fuel industry to spite ourselves moving forward. This fear-based, outdated position is not only ignorant; it's dangerous. We KNOW that fossil fuels cause environmental, political, social, economic and health-related issues. I don't resent the fossil fuel industry, but it is time to embrace ALL modern technologies to increase our own independence from these systems. We MUST look at our society holistically. ANY net gain to the system is a gain for ALL of us. Free energy is not only a boon to the local system, but a lift in economic capacity for all involved.

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Sincerely, James Hendrix 9871 Old Patina Way Orlando, FL 32832-5821