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Docket

E-100 Sub 180

Message

I believe changing the net metering rules in favor of Duke energy would significantly discourage homeowners from investing in solar power in the future in NC. As a proponent of renewable energy, I believe we should promote investment in renewables in as rapid a way possible to the benefit of the environment, not the way which enriches a corporation. Legacy power companies, Duke included, have consistently held the best interest of the public below their profits and should not be enriched by government mandate at the expense of the public.

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Message

Please do not make changes to net metering policies to the detriment of NC homeowners and businesses that have or will adopt Solar. Please do a full cost benefit analysis of Solar to determine the economic impact on its users before making drastic changes to metering.

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Message

I have invested in my solar roof 2 years ago, based on the agreement I could get with Duke Energy. It's not fair for Duke to change the value of my solar investment retroactively.

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Message

I've heard that Duke Energy proposes to change the rules of net metering for residential customers. I'm a solar rooftop owner. When I purchased my solar panels, I determined the value of my investment based on the current net metering rules. I do not think it is fair for Duke Energy to change the rules now. In addition, I think the NCREC should do the cost-benefit analysis for rooftop solar that was required by law (HB 589) before changing net metering rules.

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Message

I am a Duke Energy customer in North Carolina. I have a net metering agreement for the solar energy system on my personal residence. Duke Energy zeroes out the surplus in May just before the highest electricity use months in order to maximize their reimbursement. Even when my system generates a surplus I have a minimum monthly payment of \$16. With this financial arrangement the solar system company dissuaded me from acquiring a system that met a projected 100% of my annual energy use to reduce the surplus Duke Energy takes in May. My understanding is that Duke Energy does not zero out net metering accounts in South Carolina. They are operating like the monopoly they are, essentially taking energy my system generates without compensating me fairly. The utility commission should put a stop to this monopolistic abuse of power.

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Message

If there is really a "genuine" effort (without being influenced by monetary consideration) there should be no "reset" of energy accumulated by solar net users. As a solar energy producer I am often asked about the benefits of going solar, but the enthusiasm quickly sours when I have to tell prospective solar users that Duke Energy will steal your accumulated energy and reset (steal) and you will be charged as if your solar energy never existed. In other words don't promote solar energy if Duke Energy will continue to steal our energy.

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Message

I am very disappointed in how Solar works here in NC. In CT my utility bill was dramatically decreased and we had less direct sun. We were able to bank our own solar and use it so it remained ours. We pay a lot for our solar panels yet Duke gets the most benefit and pays us very little for it. Seems unfair that they get to take from us at a dramatically less cost what we pay for our Solar.

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Message

I am fortunate to belong to Piedmont Electric Coop in Orange County, because they buy my excess power and give me full credit for it. We also have a small vacation home in Marshallberg, NC, which is served by Duke Energy. I would love to install solar there (in spite of the greater risk to solar panels from hurricanes), but have not done so because of the net metering issue. Please help NC solar consumers AND the planet by forcing Duke to change its billing.

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Message

Please do not change rules to Duke Energy's net metering policy. NC House Bill 589 requires that the NCUC investigate the costs and benefits of rooftop solar before any changes to net metering are made, and that investigation has yet to be conducted. Duke Energy claims solar customers pay less than their fair share for using the grid, but that has not been proven, and some studies show the opposite. I insist that a full study of the cost benefit of rooftop solar be concluded before any changes to net metering policies are made.

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Message

Net Metering Comments: 1. It is outrageous to change the Net Metering rules for anyone currently with rooftop solar operating under Net Metering. We made a 25 year investment in solar panels based on an expected 25 year return. That expectation was that Net Metering rules would not change. Making a change in the middle would be like changing the interest rate in a 25 year fixed interest bond in the middle of it's life!!! 2. Duke claims their new proposal is a good deal...if so than existing Net Metering customers should be given the option of switching or staying with the original plan. 3. If Duke wants to try to better balance their supply load, they need to OFFER a REASONABLE time of day pricing schedule to ALL customers. Interested customers will have some type of battery storage capacity. Such customers may or may not be roof top owners. For this to work, they need to make it significantly profitable to potential participants!

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Message

NC House Bill 589 requires that the NCUC investigate the costs and benefits of rooftop solar before any changes to net metering are made, and that investigation has yet to be conducted. Duke Energy claims solar customers pay less than their fair share for using the grid, but that has not been proven, and some studies show the opposite. Demand that the NCUC conduct a full cost-benefit study of rooftop solar. Reducing the value of solar will make it more difficult to hit North Carolina's established climate goals. Thousands of rooftop solar jobs are at risk if Duke's proposal passes. The proposal is extremely complex, which could lead to unpredictable bill increases for solar customers. As one solar industry professional recently said of the plan, "complexity is anti-consumer." North Carolina should retain its current, straightforward net metering policy. Depending on what the NCUC decides, existing solar customers could be forced onto the new plan as soon as 2027. The plan could include: higher fixed monthly fees time-of-use billing where the price for the electricity bought from or exported to the grid would vary by time of day, with peak rates applying from 6-9pm (summer) or 6-9am (winter) when little solar power is being produced; this does not even coincide with Duke's actual peak demand compensation for excess solar exports at a wholesale rate (instead of rolling over from month to month as excess credits do now, you would be paid out for them at the end of each month, but at less than 3 cents per kilowatt-hour instead of retail rates of around 10 cents) Duke Energy should not be allowed to change the economics of your solar investment decision after the fact. Existing customers should be allowed to stay on their current net metering plan for the life of their system.

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Message

I urge you to reject NC House Bill 589. It is 1) Immoral 2) Illegal 3) will compromise clean air goals Immoral - We know why this is being proposed. This will allow the utility companies to not pay market rates for energy from alternative sources. I am not opposed to a utility making money but there are core values that should come before profits and in this case, we are taking away an incentive for citizens to invest in alternative energy. Less people will invest and therefore our children's environment will be sacrificed. That is immoral. Illegal - Since the current investment was based on current rates, the ball game is being changed. I would think this is prime for a class action suit which would at a minimum cost legal fees and time that can be better spent elsewhere and most likely a lot more. Air Quality - This is counter to our commitment to reach our climate goals as a state. Please reject this bill

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Message

Last year I invested in solar panels on my residence to help stop Global Warming and leave a better planet for my grandkids. This proposal by Duke Energy is going to halt future residential investments in solar! I would not get solar today knowing that Duke Energy is going to steal the residential incentives. The proposal will cost thousands of jobs at solar installers like YES Solar who put on my system. With the effects of Global Warming obvious to anybody with a brain, we should be increasing the incentives for new residential systems, not removing them. Turn NC greener today. Reject the Duke Energy proposal!

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I am a senior citizen and decided to control my power costs by installing rooftop solar and net metering at a substantial cost to me. To recover some of the investment cost, net metering allows me to feed back, one to one, kWh for credit on the kWh used. I use energy at a retail cost. I should not be taken advantage by Duke Energy for buying my excess power production at a wholesale price rather than kWh for kWh. It's it's not fair or reasonably for Duke Energy to change the value of my existing solar investment by changing net metering retroactively.

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Message

In reviewing information regarding E-100 Sub 180, I have two major concerns with this plan: 1. It is totally unfair for the NC Utilities Commission to retroactively change the value of the solar investment my family made last year. It was bad enough that North Carolina provided no rebate or tax credit for this investment. 2. The NC Utilities Commission should do it's job and complete an objective cost-benefit analysis for rooftop solar in our state. This review is required by law (HB 589) before changing any rules regarding net metering.

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Message

I oppose any changes to net metering rules. Duke solar program is already one of the worst in terms of benefits to customers, compared to other states. Please do not make it worse.

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Message

Please do not approve Duke Energy's request to change the net metering rules. I recently put solar on my roof to do as much as I can to reduce carbon emissions. Part of my calculations on my ability to do this project was the "sale" of my generated electricity to Duke. Duke has plenty of opportunity to make money on large scale solar, which is something I cannot do as an individual. Please push them to invest in solar and not take away a significant benefit to small scale solar. We need to encourage non-polluting, renewal energy!

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Message

The draft plan for carbon reduction proposed by Duke Energy belies common sense. Proposing proposing new fossil gas plants, modular nuclear reactors and the continued use of coal does nothing at all to reduce carbon dioxide emissions -- though it may bring additional profit to shareholders of Duke Energy. We have abundant sunshine in this state which we should be using to benefit all residents in an affordable way, yet Duke makes no mention of initiative in this area. I hope the Commission will take a step back and for once make a decision that is to the long-term advantage of our people and this planet, rather than prioritizing short-term profits with no regard for our future.

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