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Message

NCUC, We added solar panels to our house in December, 2019. We made the decision as both an economical and an ecological decision. Now Duke Energy would like to change the agreement that was part of my decision to go with solar. Based on what I can tell from the proposal, it could drastically change my costs with a higher monthly charge for access to the grid and less payback for the energy that I send to Duke. With this knowledge I probably would not have been willing to purchase the panels because it would take longer to get the return on my investment and I suspect other customers will decide not to go with solar panels because of these changes. That seems contrary to what we need in this state (and also a requirement for Duke) and that is to produce more energy using renewable resources. Also, Duke currently rolls over any extra Kwh that my panels produce to apply to any that I might need the next month. That may sound good for me BUT at the end of May they strip all my rollovers. May and April are my best months so by the time I get to the next winter, I don't have enough credits to get me through without paying for my power usage. Is that included as a benefit to Duke in their argument for changing the rules? Lastly, I am asking you to please investigate this plan change thoroughly. I have absolutely NO VOICE in this unless you speak up for me and the other thousands of rooftop solar energy customers. The plan changes are very complicated and need your counsel to make them a viable system for consumers. We all bought the panels with the current rules and it doesn't seem that changing the rules for the customers in the middle of the game is good for anyone in this state except Duke Energy. Thank you.