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To: Statements
Subject: Docket E-100, Sub 180CS. Save NC solar from Duke Energy

Hello NC Utilities Commission,

I am an interested citizen of NC and very concerned about Duke Energy's out-of-control policies with regard to the existential threat of climate change.

Duke is, unfortunately, a monopoly and, with your help, is able to get away with avoiding its responsibility to get on board with reducing and ultimately stopping the burning of fossil fuels.

Solar companies, which represent a burgeoning industry employing potentially thousands of citizens in NC, are being handed a raw deal as are citizens concerned about climate change who wish to switch to solar.

Some specific concerns:

1. Duke should follow the 2017 law that requires Duke to perform a cost-benefit analysis of the value of solar to non-solar power users before making any changes in net metering.
2. Extra fees for solar customers create discriminatory rates which may be illegal under Federal law.
3. Basing reimbursement for solar on time-of-day during which the solar is generated should not be Duke's prerogative.

Instead of supporting solar and other energy modalities that will reduce greenhouse gases and pollution, Duke is planning to build over 50 new gas-fired power plants.

Duke is a bad actor and I think you should exercise your authority over this powerful and ruthless company.

Thank you for your consideration.

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