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Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2014 6:36 PM  
To: Statements  
Subject: Protect net metering and solar energy in N.C. (Docket E-100 Sub 83)

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From: Craig Caldwell [web@craigcaldwell.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2014 5:05 PM  
To: Statements  
Subject: Docket E-100, Sub 83: Net Metering

Hi,

The short version: I do not support changes to net metering in North Carolina, and feel they will negatively impact installation of solar panels on homes. Please oppose any changes.

Please read my story: My name is Stephen Craig Caldwell, and I've been considering a move to install solar panels on my home for quite some time, and recently decided to pursue it in order to (1) help the environment and ultimately save money on my power consumption.

However, in doing my research and due diligence, I discovered that there is a proposal from Duke Energy to change Net Metering in North Carolina. This is now making me question going forward with the installation, as it impacts the economics of the proposal.

As I understand it, the proposed change will essentially allow Duke Energy to make a profit from a homeowner's solar panels (!!!), by "buying" any overage at a wholesale price, but "selling" it back later at a retail price, essentially treating the individual homeowner as a commercial power generation plant and yet also as a customer.

This is absurd, unfair, and pure greed on the part of Duke Energy, and will undoubtedly put a damper on solar energy in NC, if approved. There are already enough obstacles to installing solar panels (up-front cost, waiting for tax credits, aesthetic impact, HOA and other approvals)...we don't need to add Duke Energy's greed to the list. Solar homeowners already lose any residual "power credit" every May (right before the peak power-draw season - also unfair), let's not add insult to injury.

In my mind, the important distinctions to remember are that (1) unlike a commercial power generation plant, the individual homeowner (and his/her solar panels) are not out to make money by "selling" this power to Duke Energy, and more importantly (2) the commercial power generation plant \*never\* buys power \*back\* from Duke Energy. Duke is essentially just serving as a battery. A house with solar panels is a different situation, and should continue to be treated as such.

Again, please oppose changes to net metering with regards to homeowner solar panels.

Thanks for reading,

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From: Cheryl Williams [caw1985@bellsouth.net]

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From: Ted Sherrod [tmsherrod@nc.rr.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2014 10:21 PM  
To: Statements  
Subject: Docket E-100, Sub 83: Net Metering

Chief Clerk of the Commission,

My name is Ted Sherrod and I?m a retired engineer with 30 years of state service.

I invested in rooftop solar in 2011 believing I would be able to net meter. I monitor my 5kW system daily and routinely send energy back to my utility company.

I DO NOT support changes to net metering that will kill rooftop solar in NC.

This is to request the Utilities Commission to oppose changes to net metering.

Sincerely,

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From: Sandy Forrest [snd.forrest@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2014 8:40 PM

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From: Virginia Wagner [msbellee@yahoo.com]  
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From: Allison Rollans [acrollans@gmail.com]

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From: Tish Wilson [323kdj37@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2014 4:29 PM

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From: Leigha Dickens [ldickens@deltechomes.com]  
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To: Statements  
Subject: Docket E-100 Sub 83

To whom it may concern,

My name is Leigha Dickens. I work for a green home manufacturing company in Asheville, and I have recently installed a grid-tied solar array on my own home under the current net-metering

framework.

My company has a significant interest in the support of net-metering and solar in North Carolina. We sell to green-minded customers throughout the state and the nation who seek to build homes that reduce their energy footprint, through aggressive energy efficient design and through residential rooftop solar. We have been in business for forty-five years, and have survived the housing crisis when so many other building companies have failed by setting ourselves apart as a provider of sustainable homes. We currently compete on a national scale for market share in an emerging trend in green building called "net-zero homes??highly energy efficient homes that produce what little electricity they need through residential rooftop solar. Being located in a state that has been a leader in residential solar policies has benefited us enormously in our quest to capture this market, by giving us access to a highly skilled solar industry to partner with, and through net-metering programs that allow our customers to recoup the up-front costs of solar generation on a timescale that makes economic sense for them.

My investment in rooftop solar on my own home was predicated on the assumption that I could earn full compensation for my excess generation through net-metering. Changing the rules after the fact will drastically change the payback I had counted on for my investment, and creates an uncertain marketplace for everyone which will reduce further installations and harm the solar industry. A diminished solar industry will directly hurt my business, by reducing our ability to provide our most innovative homes to our own local customers.

Finally, I contend that the rationale for cutting payments to residential rooftop solar producers is misguided. Residential rooftop solar customers have made investments in solar generation because they demand renewable energy, a demand not currently being adequately supplied by our regulated utilities. Their investment provides the benefit of clean electricity to the grid, and yet that investment does not raise cost for non-solar ratepayers. Studies in California have found that distributed generation can actually lower costs for other ratepayers, because it allows the power companies to avoid the high capital costs of constructing additional generation facilities. Critically, rooftop solar also helps taxpayers avoid the environmental and public health costs associated with new coal or fossil-fuel generation, costs that are currently being shouldered by all North Carolina taxpayers. North Carolina is currently a leader in renewable energy policy?let?s keep it that way. By upholding the current net-metering pay structure, you ensure that renewable technologies will continue to grow in this state and that our citizens ultimately pay less for our energy.

Sincerely,

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From: David Hagy [dhagy@wfu.edu]

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