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Date: June 26, 2022

To: North Carolina Utilities Commission

Re: E-100 Sub 180 DEC & DEPs Reply in Opposition to Joint Motion for an Evidentiary

Hearing

Subject: Demand a Real NEM Study, Reject Smoke and Mirrors by the Utility

## **Dear Utilities Commission:**

I am truly disgusted by the continuing attempt from the utility's snaky lawyers to put utility greed and misleading statements before the best interest of the citizens of this state who grant them their limited monopoly. This time they have filed a motion to avoid having to complete a Real Net Metering Study based on Real NC Customers to determine the actual values to the customers, utility, and state of NEM rules. This time it is especially snaky with their lawyers blaming those requesting a Real Study for whining and causing delay, when it is in reality the disgustingly deceitful failure of the utility to perform the required Real NEM Study that is the only cause of this matter.

To show the clear fallacy of the utility's lawyer's motion, in their Conclusion they say: "there is every indication that if the Commission grants the Motion, it will result in unnecessary delay and potentially lead North Carolina down the same road of acrimony and gridlock that has been experienced in other jurisdictions." The reality and what the snaky lawyers did not say is that similar actions in other jurisdictions have brought out the truth about utility's greedy NEM rule change efforts, and have repeatedly caused those UC's to throw out similar Rooftop PV industry damaging utility requested NEM changes. We should get this resolved truthfully in the UC in NC lest the same debacle occurs in NC as recently in CA and elsewhere.

A Real NEM Study based on real NC customers and the current and advancing market conditions is what was required and what is the only thing the UC should accept. Anything less will be a true disservice to the citizens of NC and will show that the UC is little more than a puppet to the powerful interests in our state! The hearing is required.

Respectfully,

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