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Statement of Position Submitted

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Message

I am a roof top solar panel owner and I urge you to vote against Duke Power' s Net metering proposal based on House Bill 589 and the fact that the survey in Bill 589 has not been done. At present there are those such as myself believe that Solar panels provide 100% power I use yearly as well as another 30%_40% above my usage which is added to the grid for Duke Power. After experiencing Solar Energy I think it is time 4 it.....

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Message

Please do not process any act that would decrease the use of Solar in NC. We have willing shared with Duke for years and we do not want our agreement to be jeopardized. Thank you.

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Message

I understand that Duke Energy has submitted a plan to the NCUC to change the net metering rules for Duke Energy residential customers in a way that would reduce the amount we are paid for the excess solar energy we share with the grid. Since NC House Bill 589 requires that the NCUC investigate the costs and benefits of rooftop solar before any changes to net metering are made, I would like to request that a full investigation be performed by an independent group (other than Duke) to see if such changes are warranted. Given Duke's track record of disregard for the NC environment, I cannot believe the NCUC would consider this measure that would stymy solar's growth & potential in the state. Isn't bad enough that Duke sweeps all of the incremental energy produced by our panels once a year with no compensation? I can see Duke's point of view since their top five executives took home over \$25 million through incentives alone in 2021. Surely, we do not want them to miss out on that for the years to come while we consumers who don't have a choice and are trying to do the right thing for the people of NC should pick up the tab.

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Message

Do not let Duke power change the net metering rules. I've done my part to help the environment by adding solar panels and should not be penalized after having done so. If anything, they should do more to save our planet!

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Message

It is my understanding that Duke energy is seeking to change the net metering rules for residential solar customers. This change would reduce the rate at which Duke accepts excess production from rooftop systems to below the current market rate that Duke customers pay for electricity. Isn't a kWh of electricity produced via solar the same as a kWh produced from a fossil fuel-fed plant? I do not believe this is fair to existing solar customers and would serve to discourage potential solar users. In essence, we would be punished for having solar panels. Duke also wishes to do away with rolling over monthly credits. This is one of the major reasons I chose solar in the first place. I still decided to install a system even though Duke zeroes out those credits once a year (incidentally during the summer when any banked credits would be most needed). I find it ironic that Duke offered a rebate for solar panels which we gratefully took advantage of. Now they are making it more difficult. Please make Duke honor the commitment they have made to renewable energy and do not let them penalize those of us who made that pledge alongside them. Thank you.

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Message

Please reject Duke Energy's net metering proposal. Please do a true investigation of solar costs and benefits before making any changes to net metering in NC. Thank you.

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Message

I am writing to oppose the proposed changes from Duke toward the Net Metering Solar Energy customers. If we want to support, bolster or increase solar investment in NC, you can't allow Duke to implement the changes they are proposing. All parties, North Carolinians and Duke need to be on a level playing field and not one sided in Duke's favor. They are proposing reimbursing current customers with solar at \$.03 per KWH while they charge \$.10 per KWH which would deliver energy to Duke at a 66% discount while they turn around and sell it for a 66% profit. That is absurd. They should be reimbursed the same amount that they charge which is \$.10 per KWH today. Trying to finagle this or time of use pricing is Duke's way of trying to circumvent current standards and regulations at the same time trying to profit off those homeowners who have invested in solar based upon rates and laws currently in place. Put a stop to their BS and slap them down, they are a utility, not a government entity! If a company with local competition would propose this, they would be sued and lose customers. Slap them down and ensure they keep the solar net metering program in place as agreed upon. If they need to increase the infrastructure charge, they should present it with all supporting documents. We are fortunate that we have nuclear power in NC and we are not at a total disadvantage to fossil fuels. Just say no to Duke's proposed increases regarding solar. We are bombarded daily by the climate activists, czars and septuagenarian in power that we need to increase non fossil fuels. This is not promoting solar, this detracts from solar. One last item, Duke uses my solar system in their report to the Federal Gov't regarding solar use in their utility. That should also be rescinded..

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Message

I do not believe what Duke has submitted is fair for anyone that already has solar in place, and plus it will discourage solar installs in the future. I recently had solar installed and it is not fair to completely change and lower the net metering advantage that we signed on for. We did our part for the environment and to lose the financial advantage for the large outlay of money is not right. Our world needs those of us that can manage to pay for solar to have it so that climate change will be helped by utilizing this solar power. Don't allow Duke to punish us for doing the right thing for people, our state and the environment.

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Message

I am opposed to the net-metering scheme proposed by Duke Energy. I believe that it would be detrimental to the advancement of solar energy use in North Carolina and by extension the environmental goals of the current administration.

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Message

As a solar customer, I am asking that you do a true investigation into the cost and benefits of solar power before making any changes to net metering in NC. Duke's current proposal to change net-metering for residential customers is anti-consumer, anti-sustainable energy, and ultimately anti-NC, if their proposal passes, the climate future of NC is at stake.

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Message

I demand that the NCUC conduct a full cost-benefit study of rooftop solar per NC House Bill 589 requirement before Duke Energy's net metering proposal is considered. I am a customer of Dominion Energy and I don't understand why they are allowed to zero out my kwh's that I have sent to them twice per year with no cost to them. They have invested nothing to support my solar system. I have invested 100% and they get to keep the KWH's at no cost this is not net metering.

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Message

As a current Rooftop Solar homeowner, it has come to my attention that Duke Power is attempting to change the way they compensate consumers that generate electricity and give it back to the grid. I hope that you consider the future of NC as a state that has the opportunity to be a leading in clean energy creation and reject this proposal. I demand that the NCUC conduct a full cost-benefit study of rooftop solar. Duke Energy already disadvantages rooftop solar residents by resetting the credit that we should be receiving for excess energy creation each June (effectively stealing the power we create without any compensation), so additional changes to the current system would amount to even more stealing by Duke Power.

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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. 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. Some studies show the opposite. It is imperative that the NCUC conduct a full cost-benefit study of rooftop solar before any decision is made. • 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. • If the NCUC decides that existing solar customers could be forced onto this new plan. The plan could mean: • 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 Finally, Duke Energy should not be allowed to change the economics of my 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 am opposing the Duke Energy attempt to adjust meter readings for Solar Customers. I Purchased Solar Panels in 2018 out of my own pocket, not only to benefit my house hold but the environment. Please do not Allow Duke Energy to change their Solar Policies. This will hurt North Carolina in moving forward with clean energy.

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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. NCUC must 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 existing solar customers such as my household. North Carolina should retain its current, straightforward net metering policy. We could be forced onto the new plan as soon as 2027, and we object to these possible outcomes: *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, we 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 our 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 am against the proposed NEM changes recommended by Duke. I am a small business owner very connected to the manufacturing industry and surrounding Western North Carolina community. I have recently (March 2021) added solar panels to my residence and office in Alexander, NC in an effort to combat our high energy usage. The new rules proposed by Duke would have rendered my solar project dead on arrival. Furthermore, these changes would have me and others like me withdraw our solar upgrade applications. The bigger problem is that solar projects are expensive, and it's a risk many homeowners are willing to take considering in partnership with energy companies and local government. North Carolina is already prohibitive with respect to these kinds of projects. One needs to be overly altruistic or clever to build a win-win solar project. The industry is growing and it's great to see the progress, but accepting the proposal from Duke would absolutely put us in the wrong direction and benefit a giant corporation rather than NC Residents. Please strike down the proposal!

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Message

I made an investment in rooftop solar in 2015. My investment was based on the rules that were in place at the time and agreed to with Duke Energy, for the life of my solar system. Duke Energy should not be allowed to unilaterally change the rules during the operational life of my system. If they do change the rules, I will require compensation to make up for the difference between what I was expecting under the agree-upon rules and the results from the new rules, plus extra for my trouble.

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Message

NC House Bill 589 requires that the NCUC investigate the costs and benefits of residential solar before any changes to net metering are made, and that investigation has yet to be conducted. Duke Energy has made unsubstantiated claims that residential solar customers pay less than their fair share for using the grid. I respectfully demand that the NCUC conduct a full cost-benefit study of residential solar and be transparent with the public throughout the entire process. Duke Energy and NCUC not notifying the 36K residential solar customers of this issue is appalling, but par for the course with two 'good ole boy' entities.

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Message

I do not typically comment on proposed legislation and this particular issue I'm very passionate about. I am against the proposed regulation submitted by Duke Energy impacting solar customers. We are new solar customers and we've made a significant investment in order to both save electricity and money as well as do our part of reducing our footprint and reduce our reliance on fossil fuels. The price of oil this year is a serious reminder how much energy costs impact every day consumers. Certainly folks like us that made a conscious decision to invest in solar energy partially made the decision based on payback from our solar investment. And, we based that decision on the rules that are currently in place with Duke Energy. To change the rules from net metering to time of use and then paying customers back at wholesale rates (cents not dollars) is a huge detrimental hit to solar customers. In this time of heightened awareness of the cost of energy, one would think incentivizing consumers to find alternative energy solutions would be applauded, not penalized. We strongly encourage you to oppose the proposed changes to solar customers and allow the current net metering solution remain in place.

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Message

I am completely against the proposed NEM changes Duke recommended to the NCUC. You need to lock the NEM rules that were in place when the interconnection agreements were signed unless they improve for your NC residents. We need renewables now more than ever, especially with the oncoming surge of EV vehicles and thousand of people moving into the Southeast USA. We will have supply and demand issues that are going to have a harsh impact on utility rates and possibly cause longer than necessary black/brown outs. With a strong distributed energy grid we can keep businesses operating as they're supposed to be maintaining the tax revenues I'm certain the state desires. Strong solar also means strong job growth, local jobs, quality jobs, sustainable jobs for the long future. Sincerely, Lauren Wise, Brevard, NC

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Message

I am a homeowner who recently installed 8 panels on my home. I have learned about the intent to mess with the net metering policies and thats very frustrating. Please do a thorough full cost-benefit study of rooftop solar before moving forward any changes to this net metering policy. Net metering is important if we are to encourage the use of residential solar. Regardless of net consumption, all customers pay their base \$14/mo charges, so no one is getting out of paying for the grid maintenance. I am asking for a full review of net metering costs which includes the overwhelming value net metering provides to the overall grid stability and clean energy goals we have as a state and nation. please contact me if you want to discuss more.

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Prevent Duke Energy from slowing the growth of solar in North Carolina

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Message

The proposed changes are NOT in the interest of Duke Energy customers nor other North Carolina taxpayers. It would discourage investment in residential solar which is an important contributor to reducing greenhouse gas emissions from electric generation. These changes are a bad idea and should be denied.

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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. NCUC should conduct a full cost-benefit study of rooftop solar before adopting any changes.

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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. I am demanding that the NCUC conduct a full cost-benefit study of residential rooftop solar.

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Message

The existing solar net metering customers should be allowed to have the same pricing, or metering that they originally sign up for. Should not be reduced from 10 cents to 3 cents a kilowatt-hour. If we knew this would change, we would probably not have installed solar panels.

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Message

I encourage you to grandfather in those consumers who already made enormous investments in solar with an option to remain under current policy. That was deal we entered with you. Give us 25 years.

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