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Message

I am completely against the proposed NEM changes Duke recommended to the NCUC. I am proudly a residential solar customer and generate upwards of 80% of our family's electricity through our photovoltaic system. My key objections to the proposed changes are as follows: (1) there is no evidence to suggest that net metering for residential solar customers increases costs for the utility companies or other customers, (2) the utility company needs to honor the interconnection agreement that was authorized at the time of installation and not change the rules down the road, and (3) solar production and residential consumption are not always well aligned, and net metering allows this process to be averaged out throughout the year. The population in North Carolina is expanding rapidly, and we experience power outages and grid issues approximately every 2-3 months. With the proposed changes, solar installations will decrease, energy demand will rise, the grid will be more strained, and pollutants will rise.