

PUCO Case No. 12-2050-EL-ORD Nov. 8, 2017 Proposed Rules Related to Compensation for Net Metered Customers

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO),

Dear Chairman Haque and Commissioners,

My husband and I have a \$43,000 solar panel array on our roof. This was a significant cost for us and we live in a middle-class neighborhood in Huber Heights, OH. The proposed legislation rule changes will ignore our investment, payback period, and regular maintenance costs that we incur by eliminating the reimbursement for "generation charges" which is the infrastructure cost a utility would have to pay to generate the equivalent amount of electricity. This isn't fair to us and ignores the investment we have made. The rules also include a provision where utilities are not required to pay out the credits on demand. This is also not fair and potentially limits our choice of which utility to choose. I recommend that the rules be amended or reformed to leave in place the compensation structure to those who have put their hard-earned money into clean energy generation.

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I would like to add that I do like what DP&L is doing for me. I am currently possibly the only household in Fairborn that has solar panels and do enjoy getting credit for what I am generating. I hope you do not generate more money for DP&L with your proposed rule and encourage others to go to solar generation. The prices for the panels are coming down making it more affordable for other home owners to go solar. Thank you for your consideration. Max Roadruck

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I feel we need to be doing more to promote solar power. The more solar power we have, the better the world will be.

Thanks for reading this.

Aaron

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Dear Chairman Haque and Commissioners,

My solar system provides infrastructure to generate electricity that I had to pay for and which gives relief and excess capacity to utilities. Routinely I have to pay for maintenance costs on my solar array, especially micro-inverter failures. As is currently done before the proposed rule change, I should be compensated for my generation capacity being provided to the grid in addition to the energy credits for excess power I provide. Also, the rules should not put 'golden handcuffs' on people providing energy to the grid by allowing utilities to only roll-over credits and not refund them to customers if they should want to switch to a different utility. Under the proposed rules, if I wanted to switch, utilities would have me FORFEIT any credits I will have built up if I switch utilities! That is unfair.

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