From: CHRIS NELMS Sent: Friday, April 30, 2021 4:31 PM To: PUC <PUCPF@state.sd.us> Subject: RE: [EXT] Solar Rate Change

All,

Thanks for any consideration to my inputs. I don't have a dog in the fight right now. I am certainly looking at South Dakota as one of the last bastions of residence in America and a potential new home.

I've had PV for the last 10 years and fought Hawaii Electric Company for years on PUC rate structures. This rate increase directed squarely on the solar industry is completely opposite of where the PV industry needs to be heading.

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All concerned,

I am absolutely opposed to the requested rate change for solar customers.

I live in Hawaii and have a grid-tie and a grid assist PV systems. I have also owned PV in Arizona. Residents of Hawaii have fought these type of one sided renewable energy killing moves by private for profit companies. The electric that PV returns to the grid costs the electric company NOTHING to generate and is sold at 100% profit and comes at an infrastructure per kilowatt expense to the individual with an ROI no electric company would accept. I strongly recommend the PUC look at states with successful PV programs that actually benefit the environment, not the boardroom.

Regards Chris Nelms

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