Memorandum
From the office of
Chairman Bob Stump
Arizona Corporation Commission
1200 W. WASHINGTON
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TO: Docket Control
DATE: July 24, 2013
FROM: Trisha Morgan, Executive Aide
SUBJECT: Comment Letters
Arizona Public Service Company E-01345A-13-0248

Chairman Stump's office has received 201 significantly identical computer generated email communications regarding net metering. Attached is a sample of the email received. Be advised these letters were not distributed but that they are in the original file in Docket Control and available for your review.
Dear Commissioner,

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Thank you.

Dorothy Lerch
Trisha A. Morgan

From: etstar68@aol.com@mailgun.org on behalf of Lynda <etstar68@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 23, 2013 5:06 AM
To: Stump-Web
Subject: Corporate welfare has to stop

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Lynda Hees
Trisha A. Morgan

From: lderr1080@msn.com@mailgun.org on behalf of Lloyd <lderr1080@msn.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 23, 2013 3:13 AM
To: Stump-Web
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Thank you. Lloyd Derrington, Buckeye AZ

Lloyd Derrington
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Rick Riedel
Trisha A. Morgan

From: riedel777@yahoo.com@mailgun.org on behalf of Rick <riedel777@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2013 10:50 PM
To: Stump-Web
Subject: Corporate welfare has to stop

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Marilyn Speights
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Glenn McCallum
Trisha A. Morgan

From: pvtom74@gmail.com@mailgun.org on behalf of Tom <pvtom74@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, July 19, 2013 8:38 AM
To: Stump-Web
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A. J. Leta
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If you need an example of what this current unfair system does to a senior citizen on a low fixed income, may I provide one.

I’m a 39-year customer of APS, now 71 years of age with a small fixed income, on a budget (averaged) payment system. The amount I’ve paid has remained relatively steady in recent years. HOWEVER, my current bill gave notice that my payment amount would be increasing by a little over 57 percent! On the same bill the graphs provided show my usage having decreased over the past six months - my attempt to hold steady its cost to me. With this decreased usage, I’m asked to provide an additional $65.00 per month! How can that be?
Surely there is a better way to work this out, one that is JUST and equitable. I cannot believe that you condone my (or anyone else) subsidizing power for other users and corporations protecting their bottom line.

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Now it seems that APS, who once promoted Solar power, is looking to penalize the people who went out and opted to lease or purchase solar to help reduce their needs to build expensive generating plants and expensive additions or up grades to the grid. I'm sorry but that is all a part of doing business......you can't expect to make wind fall profits when the times are good and then when times get bad.....you shouldn't be able to penalize the people who took your advice and went solar. To this I say too bad for APS, put your heads back together and come up with a more viable plan that won't hurt anybody or if it does make it equal for all. And as far as the 20 year Grandfather clause there needs to be a fine tuning in that clause also. I put a system on my home and I expect it to be grandfathered for as long as the system is still producing power. I also expect the grandfathering to be passed on to any future homebuyers who buy a home with solar. I expected solar to be a positive selling point not a negative one. I also expect that if I am going to be grandfathered in and I decide to move and want to add solar to my new home...I expect that grandfathering to follow me after I followed APS's recommendation and put solar on my home to......yes help me lower costs but to also help them lower costs.

I really hope that this doesn't turn into a fiasco like the EPCOR/Arizona American water deal that you guys approved. I only wish that I was around when that was happening, I would have been more vocal. and Just for your information my water bill has doubled and it is now being paid to a Canadian Company. You (THE ACC) really had us, the Citizens of Arizona's best interests in mind on that deal.............NOT! MY rear end is still bleeding from that deal!!!

So my point here is PLEASE rethink this whole deal and keep in mind that I am new to Arizona and I am now a Legal Registered VOTER and if this fiasco gets passed I will do everything in my power to make it known who those that approved this deal are and have you all voted out of office next election!

Thanking you in advance for your concerted effort:
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Michael Scheu
Trisha A. Morgan

From: uknessie=q.com@mailgun.org on behalf of Vanessa <uknessie@q.com>
Sent: Monday, July 22, 2013 12:42 PM
To: Stump-Web
Subject: Corporate welfare has to stop

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Trisha A. Morgan

From: chuckie4000=cox.net@mailgun.org on behalf of Charles <chuckie4000@cox.net>
Sent: Saturday, July 20, 2013 8:31 PM
To: Stump-Web
Subject: Corporate welfare has to stop

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Teresa Kevane
From: None@mailgun.org on behalf of Arizona Solar Facts <Barbara>
Sent: Saturday, July 20, 2013 2:31 PM
To: Stump-Web
Subject: Corporate welfare has to stop

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Ken Miller
Dear Commissioner,

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I am not sure on what they base these statements, but I know that I pay for being connected to the grid, and that I pay Arizona and Federal Income Tax on the PBI payments that I receive. I also know that the power we produce reduces the amount of power SSVEC has to buy and transport from the central generation plants. We also produce our peak power during the peak demand periods, thus reducing SSVEC’s peak power generation costs.

So I would ask you to take a careful look at the true costs and benefits of distributed cooperative electricity generation as you revise the rate structure. We have been blessed with abundant sun here in Arizona, and we should use it wisely for everyone’s benefits.

Best regards,

Lyle Anderson

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