I am writing to you to request your commission not grant the APS request to change the manner in which we owners of residential solar panels are credited for the generation of electricity produced by our systems.

Although APS states that its request will only affect future owners of solar panels, I take issue with this statement. APS states that the new method for crediting for generated electricity wouldn't apply to us "grandfathered" solar system owners for 20 years. When I entered into the contract with APS certain guarantees were made by both parties. I agreed to maintain and operate the system for not less than 20 years and APS agreed to credit me for electricity generated by my system per the current method. I argue that through our current contract, APS has implied that the method of determining credits will not change.

Should you allow APS to alter the method of crediting for electricity generated; this will negatively affect the value of our homes as future buyers will not be so inclined to pay for a system which will no longer enjoy
reduced electrical bills. This could well initiate a reversal of the initiative to move toward solar and other renewal energy sources in the future and make this country more energy self-sufficient.

As I believe this is not just an Arizona issue, but a national issue I am inclined to communicate with my representatives in Washington DC to assist in halting this effort by APS, but hope that your commission will do what is right for us solar system owners. Thank you for your valuable time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Dennis Kukkola
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*End of Complaint*

Utilities' Response:

Investigator's Comments and Disposition:
Noted and filed for the record in Docket Control.
*End of Comments*

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