Like the vast majority of Arizonans, we are strong supporters of the move to solar power. The renewable energy standard is a good first start. We know that all the studies show we could provide most, if not all, of our electricity with solar installations and good storage systems.

We are very concerned that APS, our electrical utility, is taking actions (using our money) to effectively kill the solar industry in Arizona. This would not only hurt APS rate-payers, it would cause serious harm to our economy, just pulling itself out of the recent recession. What APS is asking for is a tax on solar installations with the funds going directly to their profits. While we understand that APS needs to make a profit to stay in business, it should not unfairly burden rate-payers and damage our state economy in the process.

Since initiating the renewable energy standard, Arizona has fallen behind other states in the commitment to solar. We are the state with the most to gain from the full-speed development of solar. What we need in Arizona is for you, our representatives to insist that APS do what is needed to encourage more solar development, not less. We need a fair net metering that provides solar users with kilowatt-hour for kilowatt-hour exchange without artificial limits that only benefit APS. All electricity users have been paying for the electrical grid for years. Even solar users contribute to the maintenance of the grid. This is not APS's grid. It is Arizona's grid. We paid for it.
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APS should not be permitted to destroy the benefits of clean, renewable energy by taxing solar users additional fees for being connected to the grid. As we understand it, this extra fee would amount to a $2billion annual subsidy to APS, a for-profit monopoly. That goes against everything American.

Please stand firm for the needs of your constituents, the people of Arizona. Please keep this monopoly utility in line. They have been spending millions of our rate-payer dollars to spread misinformation about the benefits of solar for all. By this action, they have shown they cannot be trusted. We need you to represent us and stop APS from destroying an industry so important to our economy.

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