Dear Commissioners, On behalf of my constituents, I encourage you to vote in favor of deliberating on this issue prior to waiting for a full rate case. The ACC established two years ago that the method by which utilities compensate rooftop solar customers for their excess energy creates a cost shift between solar and non-solar customers. The ACC set an important precedent for solar policy in Arizona, and along with the modest grid access charge, protected the public interest by more fairly spreading costs among all customers. Recently, SRP, which serves some of the electricity customers in my legislative district, took steps it thought necessary to diminish the cost shift in its recent pricing process. Now, the ACC has an opportunity to make progress on this issue for my APS constituents too. Many of my constituents are senior citizens and/or low income. It is not fair that they have to subsidize those that can afford solar.

LD21 Senator Debbie Lesko