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From: Jacob Veaughn on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Monday, September 14, 2020 5:41 PM
To: 'onewriter2@gmail.com'
Cc: Consumer Contact
Subject: RE: Protect our solar rights! Docket: 2020-0000

Good afternoon, Katherine Morgan

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20200000 and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

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From: onewriter2@everyactioncustom.com <onewriter2@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Saturday, September 12, 2020 1:24 AM
To: Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>
Subject: Protect our solar rights! Docket: 2020-0000

Dear Florida Public Service Commission,

The middle of a public health and economic crisis is hardly the time to create more uncertainty by making changes to solar rights that will hurt jobs, take money out of people's pockets, and serve to abandon critical efforts to ameliorate climate change.

Before COVID-19, the Sunshine state produced the 4th most electricity from solar panels in the country, and employed over 12,000 people. Before this crisis began, a "solar installer" was the fastest growing job in the country, and our industry employed 250,000 people. The COVID-19 crisis could put half--i.e.,125,000 jobs and families at risk in communities across the United States. Florida has already lost 22% of its workforce due to economic uncertainty. Without thoughtful, visionary, courageous leadership, this negative pattern could grow worse.

People and businesses in Florida rely on common sense solar policies to take control of their own energy, and choose how they power their lives.

Solar panels and batteries contribute to the resilience and intelligence of the electric grid. As we enter hurricane season, Floridians need more tools – not less – in order to weather all the storms that could be coming our way.

Please pause to intelligently generate a wholesome vision of Florida's energy needs and solutions rather than support more visionless, fossil-fuel status quo which has clearly demonstrated abundant harmfulness and merciless contributions to climate change--as evidence by record-breaking conflagrations in California, Oregon, Australia, and record-breaking domestic and worldwide flooding.

The fossil fuel industry is a dinosaur that has been fed by a gravy train of taxpayer subsidies and ignorance. Fossil fuels were great during the Industrial Revolution, but have long outlived their usefulness. Yet this dinosaur industry continues to pressure and manipulate public servants to "keep doing the same old thing over and over again while expecting different results." This is insanity. We're counting on your sanity, wholesome vision, and thoughtfulness.

Please evaluate something greater and more important than personal interest, and actively support sane solar power, solar workers, business owners, and homeowners from additional uncertainty by preserving net metering here in Florida.

Thank you for your integrity, consideration, and support for real solutions.

Sincerely,
Katherine Morgan
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