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From: Office of Chairman Clark

Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2020 10:28 AM

To: **Commissioner Correspondence**

Subject: FW: Commission Review of Net Energy Metering, Docket No. 20200000

Attachments: City of Largo FPSC NEM Letter.pdf

Good morning,

Please place the attached letter in Docket No. 20200000.

Hannah E. Barker

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From: Gloria Gonzalez [mailto:ggonzale@largo.com] Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2020 1:58 PM

To: Office of Chairman Clark

Cc: Braulio Baez

Subject: Commission Review of Net Energy Metering, Docket No. 20200000

Dear Chairman Clark,

Please find attached to this e-mail a letter from the City of Largo Mayor Woody Brown regarding Commission review of net energy metering, Docket No. 20200000. Thank you kindly.

Respectfully,

Gloria Gonzalez, Executive Assistant City of Largo | Office of the Mayor and Commission ggonzale@largo.com | 727.587.6702 | Largo.com

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Wednesday, September 16, 2020

Chairman Gary F. Clark Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399

Re: Commission review of net energy metering, Docket No. 20200000

Dear Chairman and Members of the Florida Public Service Commission:

The City of Largo would like to thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments on the Commission's' review of net energy metering and its upcoming workshop on Thursday, September 17th. The City of Largo is a leader in sustainability and resilience, and encourages policies supportive of rooftop solar, including net energy metering, which provide numerous benefits to our community, including:

- Creates jobs that pay well, are local, and are in hands-on fields like installation so they cannot be easily outsourced;
- Enhances community resilience to power outages in the aftermath of storms and natural disasters; and
- Increases home property values which can in turn help local governments to finance their services.

Additionally, the City of Largo has committed to 100% renewable energy city-wide by 2050. Largo adopted this commitment in order to take proactive steps to:

- Mitigate the environmental, economic and public health impacts of climate change,
- Build a healthy, sustainable future with less toxic pollution threatening our residents and more economic growth opportunities for workers,
- Improve our air and water quality, and
- Protect public health, particularly for the most vulnerable across our community.

Largo is committed to collaboration and partnership to achieve these important goals and would welcome the opportunity to participate in the examination of rooftop solar policies, including net energy metering, in the appropriate manner, including:

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- Participating in multiple initial workshops to inform the scope of any rulemaking.
- · Providing written and oral comments regarding rulemaking.
- Provide assistance to ensure a data-driven and accessible process so that all stakeholders have access to important technical information including but not limited to data on solar adoption trends, the utilities' cost of service, and key resource planning considerations.

Similar processes in other states have led to constructive outcomes supported by stakeholders across the board and offer a framework for Florida to successfully replicate.

I appreciate your consideration of my comments. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 727-587-6702 or Sustainability Administrator Laura Thomas at 727-586-7424 or you can e-mail her at lthomas@largo.com with any questions.

Respectfully,

Woody Brown

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Cc: Braulio L. Baez, PSC Executive Director



