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Regarding: Case Number IPC-E-17-13

Dear Sir/Madam:


I support Idaho's renewable energy efforts and solar power initiatives. Consequently I am writing to object to the Idaho Power Co. proposal to change the net-metering rates (Schedule 84) by increasing the tariff to new solar customers. This new tariff, proposed by Idaho Power, will drastically discourage new solar installation in the State. In a similar manner, the change from 20 year contracts to 2 year ones will further discourage the solar industry, as it adds uncertainty to the break-even date for homeowners. This shortened contract proposed by the power utilities may almost completely stop homeowner installation of solar energy because it would increase the payback period as well as reduce the value of homes with solar systems.

The IPUC should be encouraging alternative energy and progressive innovation in the State. Many businesses and individuals review a State's efforts to promote such efforts before locating in the State.

In summary, please reject the proposed increase in rate tariffs to solar users and please reject the change from 20 year contracts to 2.

I look forward to testifying before the IPUC in March, 2018 on this issue. Please place me on the sign-up list.

Sincerely,


Roger Turner

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