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Comment: I would like to add the following perspective in support of excluding non-exporting customers from Schedules 6 & 8:

Good problem solvers attack the issues not the people. Owning on-site generation is not the issue. My use of the grid may affect my rates, but I should not be discriminated against simply because I own a rooftop solar system. Regarding the costs and benefits of 2-way grid use, the PUC has laid out a path to address these. If I don't use the grid to export, I belong among customers who use the grid in a one-way manner. Any issues with my usage can be addressed by aligning rates for all rather than discriminating based on whether or not I own on-site generation.

A common source of frustration for us customers is when the utility lumps together two separate issues as attributable to on-site generation owners: The use of the grid to both import and export energy, and the utility's cost recuperation when a customer uses less than average energy. The latter is not specific to owners of on-site generation. The PUC order includes two studies to assess these two issues separately, as is appropriate. So the utility has a venue for exploring its concern with fixed cost recuperation, there is no need to lump non-exporting customers into a new class designed for customers who use the grid to both import and export.

I encourage the PUC to exclude customers who do not export from schedules 6 & 8.

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