

From: [Barbara Trippel Simmons](#)
To: [PUC - Clerk](#)
Subject: Comments on case Case No. 22-0334-INV
Date: Thursday, April 21, 2022 10:44:36 AM

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To the Public Utility Commission: I am writing today urging you to remove the negative solar adder, adding a penny to the current rate, not removing one. Scientists from around the world continue to sound the alarm bells that climate change is creating unprecedented risk to life around the world. The most recent IPCC report specifically says solar power and other renewable energy have to continue to be supported by governments in order to avoid the worst impacts of climate change. I believe that we have an obligation to swiftly transition to an electric grid powered entirely by local renewable energy. Everyone should be able to choose solar and do their part to address the climate crisis. I am already seeing the impacts of climate change – less snow, more rain, and more extreme weather events impacting communities around the state and the world. This is not the time for slow action. We need to accelerate our electric grid's transition to 100% renewable energy. I have been stunned in the last few years that Vermont is moving backwards with solar, which is exactly what we don't need. Please increase the support for solar on Vermont now.

Sincerely,
Barbara Trippel Simmons

Sent from my iPhone

From: [David Quilty](#)
To: [PUC - Clerk](#)
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Date: Thursday, April 21, 2022 10:45:03 AM

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To the Public Utility Commission:

I am writing today urging you to hold the solar adder steady.

The clean energy industry currently provides roughly 18,000 people – especially young people – with well paying and skilled jobs. I oppose the recommendation to reduce the adder that would impact these jobs, the businesses that operate here, and the revenue this industry creates for Vermont. Every job is important in our small state, as the Governor himself keeps saying. Knowingly changing policy that would lead to continued job loss and hurt our local economy is unacceptable in my opinion.

It is time to move into the 21st century and acknowledge that the utility grid needs to adapt to new technologies and support this growing clean energy economy.

Sincerely,
David Quilty
Rockingham, VT

From: [Taatjes-Sommer, Heidi S](#)
To: [PUC - Clerk](#)
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Sincerely,
Heidi Taatjes
Westford VT

From: [Jack Zeilenga](#)
To: [PUC - Clerk](#)
Subject: Do Not Reduce Solar Rates
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This is all occurring at a moment when we need to accelerate clean energy installations to address the climate crisis, NOT slow down. Our state solar incentive helps keep solar affordable for all Vermonters and continues progress towards our clean energy goals. We are also asking that the PUC expand the “preferred siting incentive” to support larger solar systems in the built environment, such as parking lot canopies.

Sincerely,
Jack Zeilenga
East Montpelier

From: [Jill Chase](#)
To: [PUC - Clerk](#)
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To the Public Utility Commission:

Please do not remove the negative solar adder.

Vermont needs all the solar (and other renewable sources of power) that we can get.

The U.S. needs it.

The world needs it.

The earth definitely needs it.

Thank you~

Jill Chase
Waterbury, VT

From: [Catherine Beal](#)
To: [PUC - Clerk](#)
Subject: Comments on case Case No. 22-0334-INV
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Catherine Beal
Montpelier

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To the Public Utility Commission:

I oppose this recommendation to drop the value of the solar adder once again. Any Vermonter should be able to take advantage of solar – at home or at their business – and this recommended change would make that harder.

Year after year, the state of Vermont has continued to make it harder for Vermonters to go solar, not easier as it should be. In addition to these state incentive reductions, the federal government has also been dropping its important tax credit. This has all resulted in fewer people taking advantage of solar, and fewer clean energy jobs being created. We need to be creating more programs to help more people take advantage of solar, not the other way around. Please do the right thing.

I urge you to remove the negative solar adder by adding a penny to the program, not removing it as recommended. Give everyday Vermonters a chance to own their own power generation and keep their energy dollars local.

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Catherine Beal
Montpelier

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Montpelier