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Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power Comment: To Whom It May Concern,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments concerning Idaho Power's Net Metering program. Our family invested in roof-top solar in July 2017. We did so for multiple reasons, including creating a better and more sustainable energy future for our children and because of the Net Metering program Idaho Power was offering its customers. Idaho Power's Net Metering program is currently a fair program and was the deciding factor for our family to invest in roof-top solar for our home.

Idaho Power's reasoning for changing this program is insufficient, stating that since more customers will take advantage of their program (I stress their program, meaning they created and offered the Net Metering program in the first place) is unfair. Changing the program now, after our family invested over \$20,000 in solar panels BECAUSE of Idaho Power's net-metering program is the definition of reneging and not honoring the program they offered to its customers. Again, we made an investment of over \$20,000 in our home for the long-term because of the program Idaho Power offered. If IPUC allows Idaho Power to change it's existing Net Metering program on us it will cause our family financial hardship we were not planning for, and could not plan for since we assumed Idaho Power would honor it's existing Net Metering Program when we installed our roof-top solar array.

We urge you, as an Idaho family, please do not allow Idaho Power to change it's Net Metering program for individual roof-top solar homes. It will without question hurt us financially. And again, we made the initial decision to purchase the roof top solar because of Idaho Power's Net Metering program. At a bare minimum, those Idaho families such as ours that made this financial investment in our homes should be 'grandfathered' in to the Net Metering Program that Idaho Power currently has and was in place when we made our initial investment.

Idaho Power is a large and wealthy corporation. If you change the existing Net Metering program on Idaho families that invested in roof-top solar under this program you will negatively impact each and every one of these families financially, including ours.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit these comments on behalf of our family.

Mark Blaiser

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