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To: [Jan Noriyuki](#)
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The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power

Case ID: IPC-E-21-21

Comment: "I am writing to provide comments on the study ID Power had done regarding compensation for rooftop solar sent back to the grid. Idaho Powers choice of assumptions and and calculation methods significantly undervalue components that the Utility quantified. Idaho Power's study fails to quantify important benefits of distributed solar that the Commission directed the utility to analyze. Utility benefits include: 1) more locally produced solar energy reduces the need for Idaho Power to generate its own energy or energy purchased on the open market. 2) reduces the need for Idaho Power to build new power plants and transmission lines to meet peak demands. Local power is exported to the grid while typically about 1/2 is consumed on site. More locally produced solar energy would reduce Idaho Power's exposure to future taxes on carbon emissions, which affects rates for all ratepayers and would help ID Power meet its clean energy goals. 3) more locally produced solar energy reduces the need for ID Power to upgrade and maintain its power lines. more locally produced solar energy reduces Idaho Power's energy losses which occurs naturally when energy travels long distances on power lines rather than consumed locally. 4) more locally produced solar energy reduces demands from society due to climate change, improves public health, boosts the local economy, and improves energy resiliency. The study came back with a value much lower than what they pay owners now. The study is inadequate, Idaho Power left out important benefits in its study, like the long-term hedge against volatile natural gas prices, like the war in Ukraine that started this winter impacted prices of international fossil fuels prices this spring. Solar power can offer a different source of electricity that avoids relying on those volatile prices. In Florida when hurricane Ian hit the coast neighborhoods powered by solar panels with backup batteries weathered the direct onslaught of the hurricane and the lights stayed on while those without solar went dark. In Idaho, there's a strong summer peak, meaning our biggest use of electricity is in the summer right when solar panels are at their most effective, so with a lot of solar generation particularly owned by customers, we can alleviate the load on Idaho Power's system and on the grid in general, producing more reliability on those hottest days of summer when everyone is running AC, and agriculture relies on electricity to be productive. A fair credit rate will benefit both Idaho Power and rooftop solar owners and help Idaho power reach its goal of zero emissions. Idaho Power said it supports rooftop solar and fair prices for all, then take into account all the values of providing solar. A fair credit rate will benefit both Idaho Power and rooftop solar owners. Let's get real and invest in real benefits such as locally produced solar that will help move the needle towards clean energy and zero emissions. Its

energy we can rely on that is not subject to the volatility of natural gas and will move Idaho Power more quickly to reaching its zero emissions goal faster. It will also benefit rate payers and help reduce carbon emissions. "

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Comment: "I am writing about supporting affording solar in Idaho. It is an integral part of our need to convert to alternative energy and away from fossil fuels. The climate crisis is creating historical drought in the West and endangering our food and water. This is a critical time for all of us to embrace alternative energies. Solar is a proven alternative that works and reduces carbon emissions. Support affordable solar in Idaho. "
