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Comment: "I just learned the commission is not holding public hearings on this very important issue. Again, this shows the commission is working for Idaho Power. The Idaho (Power) Public Utilities Commission needs to hold public hearings. People who have installed solar power are angry and want public hearings with a virtual connection. Maybe the commission has already decided the issue or they afraid riots will break out if they hold public hearings. If this proposed change is approved how can we fire the commissioners and install new commissioners that aren't working for the Idaho Power and get this proposal overturned. Idaho is in a sad state of affairs when big companies and dictate policy in Idaho. "

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Comment: "When considering these new Distributed Energy rates, please take a good look at other power companies that have gone away from net metering on a monthly billing basis, to so-called "fair" billing systems that work in realtime. Companies like SRP in Arizona, have all but destroyed the benefits of distributed solar energy being built out by end consumers by implementing "Demand" charges based on hourly time frames and surcharges. This has resulted in a class action suit still in progress, with it looking like they will be defeated in court. Any change in billing that takes a normal customers annual energy usage costs and increases or levels them by adding solar, will inevitably destroy user generation. SRP has done this, and the PUC can learn from looking at Idaho Powers proposal, and insuring that it does not go down the same path. As a solar installer for more than 20 years, I know that changes to billing that make it less financially attractive for consumers will ultimately ruin an industry and deter new

energy generation. While the power companies have an infrastructure to support, they should also proactively look to engage willing consumers investments to help with energy generation. I ask that the PUC keep the system as it is, basically a net-metering system, which the power company pays for what they use, and the consumer pays for what they use. Thats fair and reasonable, and all these reports about how they have to change pricing to be more "fair" is just a smoke screen to realtime demand based charges that ultimately level a persons bill on an annual basis, regardless of if they have installed solar. That will kill solar installs in Idaho."