Comment: We care about the environment and want to do everything we can to address climate change. With that in mind, we installed 18 solar panels in 2016 and added ten more in 2019. We purchased a plug-in hybrid, installed a hybrid electric water heater, and use electric tools for everything including lawn mowing and snow blowing. Next week we are replacing our gas furnace with a high-efficiency electric furnace and heat pump.

We made these considerable investments assuming that Idaho Power would continue a program similar to the one we invested in. Instead, it looks like the company is planning to punish us for doing all we can to use solar power.

Allowing existing customers, those early adopters who recognized the need to move quickly to clean energy, to remain in the original net metering program would be fair. Changing the rules drastically after we've made these investments would serve only to penalize those of us who acted early and responsibly.
Diane Holt

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Comment: I am opposed to the reduction of solar power credit and the end of net one-to-one metering. My wife and I have invested close to $30,000 in a solar panel system for our home and for you to approve that value to be reduced by 50% is unacceptable. The reduction to wholesale credit will NOT encourage Idahoans to go green. There are approximately 4,000 home solar systems in Idaho and this makes up such a small percentage of the Idaho Power base that the concern for insufficient payment for infrastructure is bogus at this time.

Rules should not be changed after Idaho citizens have made such an investment after carefully considering the costs and benefits.

Existing solar generators should, at a minimum, be grandfathered in under the current rules and not be penalized. The best course would be to have home solar encouraged to help reduce carbon emissions to the atmosphere.

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