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Subject: DE-22-060 Consideration of changes to the Current Net Metering Tariff Structure

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Dear PUC Commissioners,

As a pro-clean-energy resident of NH, I am concerned about changes in the PUC's current system for compensating customers who share surplus solar power. Aside from deincentivizing the adoption of solar power by residents, the downshift to lower compensation risks a 1-1.5% rise in monthly bills to non-energy-producing customers, according to the VDER study.

The upsides of maintaining current compensation rates, or even increasing them, are numerous, including:

- Reducing total demand by generating energy and thereby decreasing utility load
- Additional savings due to diminished need for transmission lines, poles, and plants.
- Better transmission efficiency
- Support for the local economy
- Reduced medical costs due to encouraging cleaner energy

Please heed the support of our three investor-owned utilities for continuing the current system of reimbursement to power-generating citizens to encourage them and others to continue investing in clean, locally-based solar power.

Thank you,
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