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This is a revision to my original filing re: DE-23-039, with the principal change being removal of my personal contact information:

=====COMMENTS ON DE-23-039=====

I am a residential electricity customer of Liberty Utilities, in Plainfield, NH, writing to voice my strong opposition to Liberty's rate hike request.

Because I have solar panels and net metering I am unable to participate in Plainfield's community power program -- because Liberty, despite having more than a year to prepare -- claims it is not able to transfer net metering data over to the community power entity.

**Liberty should not be granted ANY rate increases unless or until they have fixed this problem and made it possible for current Liberty net metering customers to participate in local community power programs** -- in my case, Plainfield Community Power. The status quo penalizes me financially and allows Liberty to take advantage of any net power I return to the grid (to satisfy its state and regional renewable energy goals).

My local paper, the Valley News, reported today (June 15) that only 1 percent or less of households are opting out of community power. I wonder if that analysis factors in the role that net metering customers (currently ineligible due to Liberty's foot-dragging) play in this. Remove this outrageous barrier and I expect you'd see the opt-out numbers drop further to near zero.

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