

Secretary

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

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Sir/Madam,

In an usual show of bipartisan support for clean energy, the Pennsylvania General Assembly passed [Act 40](#) in October 2017. The intent of the law was to "close" the solar renewable energy credit (SREC) "border" by permitting only in-state solar systems to qualify for Pennsylvania's SRECs. Under the PUC's interpretation, all existing out-of-state solar systems would be grandfathered and could continue to receive Pennsylvania's SRECs. This legal interpretation is completely counter to the intent of the law and would make Act 40 utterly useless.

As an PA residential owner of a solar system, I am trying to recuperate some of my initial investment (2015) in solar energy. Allowing other states to join in the share their credits will only dilute its current dare I say pitiful value. If the PUC decides to open enrollment to other states, it should also allow PA Solar users choose the most beneficial state that allows a higher return in their investment. We aren't permitted to enroll in any other state currently than Ohio. As it stands, PA by comparison to other states has one of the lowest SCREC reimbursement values. My suggestion would be to have PA PUC increase the current SREC value to be competitive with other states' SREC values. It boggles my mind that areas such as Washington DC, Massachusetts and New Jersey SRECS are so much higher than ours? How can that be rationally acceptable to Pennsylvania solar energy providers? Respectfully one would think that Pennsylvania doesn't have much interest or want to encourage the promoting of Solar Energy. Not unlike our current Presidential Administration which doesn't believe in or chooses to ignore scientific facts. Please show that the PUC champions Clean Energy and that it advocates moving away from fossil sources which are not only diminishing but are one if the prime destructive causes of Global Warming.

With Upmost Respect,

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