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| To: | PUC.FilingCenter |
| Subject: | COMMENT: PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION DRAFT SOLAR REPORT |
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Dear Oregon PUC,

My name is Vincent Weatherill. I'm Owner/Manager of Sunset Solar Electric LLC and supporting member of Oregon Solar Energy Industries Association (OSEIA). I'd like my comment below filed regarding the draft solar report released by the Commissioners on July 28, 2016:

COMMENT:

I agree with OSEIA's recent statement criticizing the very poor public process that led to a very poor draft report, and I hope the PUC will change the tone and content of their draft solar report. The current draft will not be helpful to the legislature. Specifically, the draft report characterizes the solar industry as "well-supported" and "relatively robust" without defining what the PUC means by a "robust" industry; and makes recommendations to end net metering and phase out Energy Trust incentives without providing a full understanding of how solar is valued or what above-market costs might be.

I've been in the business of bidding and contracting solar jobs since 2011 and believe that without the net metering and Energy Trust incentives programs, the industry will not be able to maintain growth and my company will likely close doors due to a significant decrease in business opportunities.

Thank you. Sincerely, Vincent Weatherill Owner/Project Manager Sunset Solar Electric LLC 503-828-4839