Thank you for helping defeat AB 1139!

If you have not yet done so, please join the letter calling on Gov. Newsom and the CPUC to adopt a strong solar net metering policy that keeps solar growing, and growing more equitably so that millions of working class people can benefit from solar in the years to come.

Link to letter

















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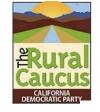




















































































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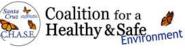












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TO: Members of the California State Legislature

cc: Governor Gavin Newsom & the California Public Utilities Commission

RE: Oppose the "Utility Profit Grab Bill" - AB 1139 (Gonzalez)

AB 1139 is a utility profit grab to gut rooftop solar. It would undermine the investments of California's existing one million solar users, including 150,000 CARE accounts being served by solar rooftops. It would block millions more Californians from getting rooftop solar, including working class communities and renters.

AB 1139 is premised on a utility-invented falsehood - the rooftop solar "cost shift". The real shift in costs for ratepayers is the cost of wildfires, power outages, the long-distance transmission lines that cause them, as well as the lack of government accountability on those responsible.

- This year alone, ratepayers will be charged more than \$9 billion for power line maintenance and wildfire prevention.
- Utilities profit by building more and more expensive power lines. Over the last twenty years, utilities charged ratepayers more than \$20 billion in transmission line projects and collected nearly \$20 billion in profits.

Meanwhile, rooftop solar helps cut the cost of long-distance power lines, saving every ratepayer money. Rooftop solar helped save Californians \$2.6 billion in reduced power line spending in 2018 alone. Maximizing rooftop solar could save American households nearly \$500 billion over the next thirty years. In fact, doubling down on our overreliance on long-distance power lines could cost Americans \$350 billion.

Utilities are threatened by this people-powered movement. They see working class communities are becoming the fastest growing segment of the rooftop solar market. They see people of all demographics and walks of life embracing rooftop solar from Fresno to San Francisco. They recognize the power of adding batteries to solar panels to make the sun shine at night.

And so, to protect their profit-making setup, utilities are going after the most powerful policy driving rooftop solar: net metering. That's what AB 1139 is all about.

Lawmakers that want to create a clean energy future while helping working communities should reject AB 1139 and embrace serious proposals that will bring rooftop solar and battery storage to millions more Californians, especially working class communities. More equitable rooftop solar, not less, is the path to helping Californians struggling under the burden of skyrocketing energy bills, power outages and wildfires.

Sincerely,

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