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Good afternoon. My name is Adam Young, and I farm 3,000 acres of wheat, barley, and alfalfa near Blackfoot. My comment is in support of the petition by the Sierra Club to extend the cut-off date for grandfathering for new solar systems to Feb. 28, 2021 and to provide more clarity on the expectations of the study that will affect how net metering may change.

Our farm recently constructed twelve solar trackers that are connected to the grid through Idaho Power's net metering program. These trackers have been good investments and will provide value to us as individual Idaho Power customers, as well as to the company, who can turn around and sell our generated power to higher-paying customers (such as residential and small general service customers), especially during peak-demand summer months. The success of our investment in 2019/2020 left us hoping that we could pursue additional solar projects in 2021 and beyond; however, the PUC's recent decision has forced us to stall any future plans until we have some kind of idea of what Idaho Power's program will look like in the future.

To be clear, we understand that tariffs are not a contract, and that they are subject to change. We're not asking for a contract; we're asking for greater clarification on what the program will be going forward or, at least, an extension of the grandfathering period until we can receive some kind of reasonable clarification. At the present, the only real information we have to go off of is that the program **will** change and that we should expect it to. We also know, from personal experience, that Idaho Power does not want to support customer generation, and that they have every incentive to weaken the program. Under the present circumstances, how could we (or any other irrigator) put money at risk investing in solar? I appreciate your consideration of my concerns.

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