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Thank you for your comments on the application regarding the Investigation of Interconnection and Net Metering Guidelines. Your comments in the above-referenced matter have been received and will be placed into the case file for the Commission's consideration. Please cite the case number in this matter, 2020-00350, in any further correspondence. The documents in this case are available at [View Case Filings for: 2020-00302 \(ky.gov\)](#).

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Best Regards,

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Dear PSC members,
I am writing concerning the requirement for external, lockable disconnects with a visible open near the utility meter. These disconnects are expensive, wasteful and unnecessary. Given that inverters are required to automatically shutdown when the grid signal is lost, the disconnects are obsolete. The disconnects don't enhance safety.

As a PV system owner, the requirement increased the cost of my project about \$1000 dollars. It is analogous to requiring every GFCI socket to have an additional manual shutoff next to it.

Someone is making money selling these expensive, bulky boxes and the “little people,” are paying for it. I feel this is a case in which powerful, quasi-governmental agencies that write requirements have an opportunity to actually look after the “little people,” and move us into the 21st century by changing the code. It is time for the relationship between the disconnect manufacturers and utilities to change; the manufacturers need to innovate and move their products on to things people need.

I urge the PSC to end the requirement.

Sincerely,

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