Tesla urges Nev. regulators to nix solar rate hike

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An executive for Tesla Motors is calling on the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada to reconsider a decision that increased the fixed service fee solar customers pay NV Energy.

Tesla's statement comes at a sensitive time, with the threemember regulatory commission scheduled on Friday to revisit a controversial decision to increase bills for solar customers.

In a letter filed with the commission Tuesday, the company's vice president of business development said the higher fee was an impediment to developing an electricity grid that used onsite generation technologies, such as rooftop solar panels and home storage.

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