

**Conservation Federation of Missouri
2014 Resolutions**

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CFM Support of Missouri Solar Industry

WHEREAS, In 2008, Missouri citizens approved, by over two-thirds majority vote, that utilities (KCP&L and Ameren) provide a percentage of electric produced by alternative energy, with rebate payments made to those customers choosing to install qualifying alternative systems; and

WHEREAS, 2800 jobs, \$415 million in taxable revenues and one of the fastest growing industries in Missouri have been the result of this legislation through 2013, and is still expanding; and

WHEREAS, HB142, passed last year, would have infused \$1 billion in the state economy over the next six years; and

WHEREAS, ending rebates abruptly will negatively impact multi-sector businesses statewide; and

WHEREAS, Missouri's solar industry creates jobs and investments for the state; and

WHEREAS, Missouri's solar industry helps reduce utility bills and has a positive impact on our environment; and

WHEREAS, Missouri's solar industry is good for all ratepayers, independent business owners and the state economy: now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Conservation Federation of Missouri assembled at the Capitol Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City, MO, this 23rd day of March of 2014, urges the Missouri General Assembly, the Public Service Commission, and regulated electric utilities (KCP&L and Ameren) to work together to reinstate the rebates provided under law with a provision to step down the rebates to 0 in 2020 as currently agreed upon.