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Overview

Permitting and inspection are required before a solar array is allowed to produce electricity on the grid. The lawsuit challenges whether the California Public Utilities Commission, or CPUC, broke the law in 2022 with a decision that damaged the state's once-thriving rooftop solar program. The State Court decision gives. Solar “use” claims and associated claims about greenhouse gas footprint reductions are contingent on the ownership of, or exclusive rights to, the renewable energy certificates (RECs) associated with the solar generator's output. Following the installation, a professional from the local government.

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The solar system cannot be legally turned on to generate power or earn NEM credits until the utility officially grants PTO, which typically takes a few weeks after submission.



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[California's rooftop solar subsidy cuts: legal or illegal?](#)

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Rooftop Solar

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Applications



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[Permitting and Inspection for Rooftop Solar](#)

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