

AVAILABILITY:

Available to federal, state or local governmental entities that have submitted an Interconnection Application for a qualifying Net Metering Facility and that demonstrate an inability to execute the mutual indemnification language required by the Cooperative pursuant to provisions in the New Mexico Interconnections Standards Manual and New Mexico Public Regulation Commission Rule 17.9.568 NMAC. Customers participating in this rate must demonstrate their inability pursuant to applicable statute or law to agree to fully indemnify the Cooperative from any and all liability that may result from the negligence or intentional act of the Customer in relation to the interconnection.

TYPE OF SERVICE:

Single or Three-phase, 60 cycles, at the Cooperative's standard voltages

ENERGY RATE

Customers shall be billed for service in accordance with the applicable rate structure and monthly charges that would apply to the Customer if the Customer had not interconnected a net metering facility with the Cooperative.

OTHER CHARGES

Customers receiving interconnection service pursuant to this rate must agree in writing to authorize the Cooperative to secure additional insurance coverage necessary to cover the reasonable risks associated with the interconnection of the qualifying facility in the absence of a mutual and full indemnity provision with the Cooperative.

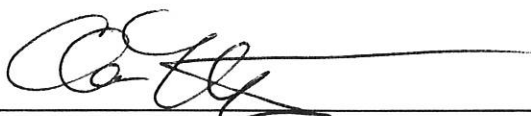
The cost incurred by the Cooperative to obtain site specific insurance coverage shall be collected from each Customer taking service under this tariff. The annual premium per installation will be divided by 12 months to determine the monthly fee to be collected. For example, if an annual policy of \$100,000 has a cost to the Cooperative of \$35, the \$35 would be divided by 12 months equaling \$2.91/month. This amount will be adjusted to reflect changes to the annual premium for the facility billed to the cooperative by the insurance provider.

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The Cooperative shall make a reasonable determination of the amount of additional insurance coverage necessary to protect the interest of the Cooperative's remaining customers from potential liability resulting from the negligent or intentional act of a Customer receiving service under this tariff.

CONDITION OF SERVICE:

1. The customer shall provide at the customer's expense a perimeter fence surrounding the Cooperative's transformer and meter at the interconnection point. Fence specifications will be provided by the Cooperative for each individual consumer. The Consumer must contact the Cooperative for fence specifications at the time that interconnection service is requested.
2. Net energy produced or consumed on a monthly basis shall be measured in accordance with standard metering practices.
3. Metering installed for the service provided under this tariff shall be capable of registering and accumulating the kilowatt (kWh) of electricity flowing in both directions in a billing period.
4. Customers may not move their generation to another site or increase the size of the generation unit without prior approval from the Cooperative.
5. Customer must own and operate the qualifying Net Metering Facility used for the production of electricity that is: a) located on the Customer's premises; b) intended primarily to provide all or part of the Customer's requirements for electricity; c) using a Renewable Resource with a generating capacity less than or equal to 125% of the Customer's total connected load or, in the absence of Customer's load data, capacity less than or equal to the Customer's electric service drop capacity; and d) interconnected with and capable of operating in parallel and in phase with the Cooperative's existing distribution system.

SAFETY PROVISIONS:

1. An interconnection Customer shall separate from the utility system in the event of any one or more of the following conditions:
 - (a) a fault on the generating facility's system;
 - (b) a generating facility contribution to a utility system emergency;

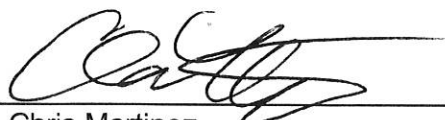
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- (c) abnormal frequency or voltage conditions on the utility's system;
 - (d) any occurrence or condition that will endanger utility employees or customers;
 - (e) a generating facility condition that would otherwise interfere with a utility's ability to provide safe and reliable electric service to other customers; or
 - (f) the sudden loss of the utility system power.
2. A visible-open, load break disconnect switch between the generating facility and the utility system that is visibly marked "generating facility generation disconnect" and is accessible to and lockable by the utility is required for all generating facilities except for those generating facilities with a maximum capacity rating of 10 kW or less that use a certified inverter including a self-contained renewable energy certificate (REC) meter and either:
- (a) a utility accessible AC load break disconnect; or
 - (b) a utility accessible DC load break disconnect where there is no other source of generated or stored energy connected to the system.
3. Interconnection customers shall post a permanent and weather proof one-line electrical diagram of the generating facility located at the point of service connection to the utility. Generating facilities where the disconnect switch required by Subsection B of 17.9.568.15 NMAC is not located in close proximity to the utility meter must post a permanent and weather proof map showing the location of all major equipment including the utility meter point, the generating facility generation disconnect, and the generating facility generation breaker. Non-residential generating facilities larger than 10 kW shall include with or attached to the map the names and current telephone numbers of at least two persons authorized to provide access to the generating facility and who have authority to make decisions regarding the generating facility interconnection and operation.
4. If the generating facility interconnection equipment package is not certified or if a certified equipment package has been modified, the generating facility interconnection equipment package shall be reviewed and approved by a professional electrical engineer, registered in the state of New Mexico.

SERVICE PROVISIONS:

Delivery Point. If service is furnished at secondary voltage, the delivery point shall be the metering point unless otherwise specified in the contract for service. All wiring, pole lines, and

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other electric equipment on the load side of the delivery point shall be owned and maintained by the consumer. If the service is furnished at the Cooperative's primary line voltage, the delivery point shall be the point of attachment of the Cooperative's primary line to consumer's transformer structure unless otherwise specified in the contract for service. All wiring, pole lines, and other electric equipment (except metering equipment) on the load side of the delivery point shall be owned and maintained by the consumer.

TERMS OF PAYMENT:

The monthly bill rendered in accordance with the rates set forth herein is due and payable within twenty (20) days from the date on the bill. A ten percent (10%) charge shall be added to any account balance which is outstanding for more than sixty (60) days from the date of the bill.

INTERRUPTION OF SERVICE

The Cooperative will use reasonable diligence to furnish a regular and uninterrupted supply of energy. However, interruptions or partial interruptions may occur or service may be curtailed, become irregular, or fail as a result of circumstances beyond the control of the Cooperative. In any such case the Cooperative will not be liable for damages. The Cooperative cannot guarantee 100 percent reliability.

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