

Schedule No. NEMVS-139

Virtual Net Energy Metering for Solar on Multifamily Affordable Housing Program  
(SOMAH)

APPLICABILITY

This Schedule is applicable to Qualified Customers as defined in Special Condition 1 whose service account(s) are located at a Residential Complex accepted as a participant in the Solar on Multi-Family Affordable Housing program ("SOMAH") where one or more solar electricity generating facilities is interconnected and operates in parallel with the Utility transmission and distribution systems that is intended primarily to offset part or all of the complex's electrical requirements ("Eligible Customer-generator"), and contracts with the Utility to have all eligible output from the generator supplied to the Utility for the purpose of providing a credit to Qualified Customers within the Residential Complex. The terms of this rate schedule shall apply to any Qualified Customer that is designated on a Solar Generation Credit Allocation Request Form, unless the customer provides written notification to the Utility declining to receive a credit. Qualified Customers who are receiving service on this Schedule, or who have submitted all documentation necessary to receive service on this Schedule, are subject to the grandfathering provisions provided in Special Condition 3 below.

Service on this rate schedule must be taken in combination with the Qualified Customer's otherwise applicable rate schedule.

TERRITORY

Within the entire territory served in California by the Utility.

BILLING

All terms and conditions of the Qualified Customer's otherwise applicable rate schedule will apply except that Allocated Credits for which this Schedule provides will be applied to the monthly bills for all eligible Common Area and/or Tenant Service Accounts designated by the Owner or Operator. An Allocated Credit is determined by multiplying the kilowatthour (kWh) that the Eligible Customer-generator(s) delivers to the grid by the allocation percentages that the Owner or Operator designates on the Allocation Request Form for the Common Area and /or Tenant Service Accounts located at the Residential Complex. The Allocated Credit is then used to reduce the energy billed to the Qualified Customer.

If the electricity supplied by the Utility exceeds the Allocated Credit, the Qualified Customer is a net energy consumer and shall be billed for the net energy supplied by the Utility as follows:

For Qualified Customers taking service under tariffs employing "baseline" and "over baseline" rates, any net monthly consumption of electricity shall be calculated according to the terms of the contract or tariff to which the same Qualified Customer would be assigned to if the Qualified Customer did not have Allocated Credits. If those same Qualified Customers are net generators over a billing period, the net Allocated Credits shall be valued at the same price per kilowatthour as the Utility would charge for the baseline quantity of electricity during that billing period, and if the number of kilowatthours generated exceeds the baseline quantity, the excess shall be valued at the same price per kilowatthour as the Utility would charge for electricity over the baseline quantity during that billing period.

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BILLING (continued)

For Qualifying Customers taking service under tariffs employing "time of use" rates, any net monthly consumption of electricity shall be calculated according to the terms of the contract or tariff to which the same Qualified Customer would be assigned to if the customer did not use an Eligible Customer-generator. When those same Qualifying Customers are net generators during any discrete time of use period, the net kilowatt-hours produced shall be valued at the same price per kilowatt-hour as the Utility would charge for retail kilowatt-hour sales during that same time of use period.

Bill Payment and True Up. Qualified Customers are required to pay their bills on a monthly basis. Bill payments made by the Qualified Customer within the 12-month Relevant Period will be applied to the Qualified Customer's account. Excess energy credits, are carried over to the following billing period, until the end of the Relevant Period. An annual true-up of energy charges and credits occurs at the end of the Relevant Period. Upon completion of the annual true-up, and remaining energy credits will be retained by Pacific Power and the Qualified Customer will not be entitled to any compensation unless the Owner or Operator has opted to participate in net surplus compensation.

A Qualified Customer who elects to receive compensation for the excess kilowatt-hours generated over each 12-month period will receive a rate equal to the simple rolling average of the Pacific Gas & Electric Default Load Aggregation Point ("DLAP") prices from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. corresponding to the customer-generator's 12-month Relevant Period. In order to receive a check from the utility, the total amount of compensation must be equal to or greater than \$25.00. If the amount is less than \$25.00 the compensation will be credited to the bill of the Qualified Customer.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- 1) Definitions: Capitalized terms used in the context of this Schedule are defined below and applicable to Qualified Customers receiving service under this Schedule.
  - (a) Qualified Customer: A Qualified Customer is either the Owner or Operator of a Residential Complex that is accepted to participate in SOMAH whose name is on the service account(s) of the common areas of the Residential Complex; or, a tenant of the Residential Complex with a separate service account.
  - (b) Owner: An Owner is the Qualified Customer who has the legal right or rightful claim to ownership of the Residential Complex and who has one or more Eligible Customer-generator(s) located on the premises.
  - (c) Operator: An Operator is a Qualified Customer who operates a business by leasing or renting the Residential Complex from an Owner and who has one or more Eligible Customer-generators(s) located on the Property.

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- (d) Common Area Service Accounts: Accounts for which electrical service is provided to the common areas of the Residential Complex, which may include electrical service for recreation facilities, parking and walkway lighting, landscaping, elevator and laundry rooms.
- (e) Tenant Service Accounts: Accounts for which electrical service is provided to tenants of the Residential Complex.
- (f) Residential Complex: A Residential Complex is defined as all of the real property and apparatus employed in a single low income housing enterprise on contiguous parcels of land. These parcels may be divided by a dedicated street, highway or public thoroughfare or railway, so long as they are otherwise contiguous, part of the same single low income housing enterprise, and all under the same ownership.
- (g) Relevant Period: A twelve-month period, or portion thereof, commencing on the start of the next regular billing period following the Date of Parallel Operation of the Eligible Customer-generator(s) with the Pacific Power electrical system.

Qualified Customer(s) may elect to change the start date of their Relevant Period on a one-time prospective basis by completing and returning The One time Relevant Period Change Request Form, to Pacific Power. Pacific Power must receive this form at least 60 days prior to the requested start date of the new Relevant Period. When the start date change is effectuated, it will cause a shortened existing Relevant Period and the new 12-month Relevant Period will begin. In no case will a relevant period extend beyond 12 months.

- 2) SOMAH Acceptance: To be eligible to participate in this Schedule, a Residential Complex must be accepted for participation in the SOMAH Program, as captured in Public Utilities Code section 2870(g)(1). Acceptance in the SOMAH program, and the corresponding eligibility for participation in this Schedule, will be determined by the state-wide SOMAH Program Administrator selected by the California Public Utilities Commission, as directed in D.17-12-022.

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- 3) NEMVS-139 Grandfathering Provisions: This Special Condition is applicable to all qualified Customers receiving service on this Schedule or where the Owner or Operator has submitted all documentation necessary to receive service on this Schedule.
- (a) 20-Year Transition Period: Qualified Customers who are receiving service on this Schedule, or for whom the Owner or Operator has submitted all documentation necessary to receive service on this schedule, are eligible to continue on this schedule for a period of 20 years from the original year in which their Eligible Customer-generator was interconnected to the Utility's grid. The original year of interconnection is indicated by and measured from the date on which the Owner or Operator originally received permission to operate (PTO) from Pacific Power. Eligible Customer-generator(s) switching to this schedule from a different NEM schedule, may remain under this schedule for a period of 20 years from the original year of interconnection of the Eligible Customer-generator's solar electricity generating facility.
- (b) System Modification: Generating facilities eligible for the 20-year transition period outlined above that are modified or repaired shall remain eligible for the remainder of their 20-year transition period as long as the modifications and/or repairs do not increase the Eligible Customer-generator by more than the greater of (1) 10 percent of the generating facility's nameplate capacity, as established when the generating facility was originally interconnected, or (2) 1 kW: and provided the modifications and/or repairs do not result in the Eligible Customer-generator exceeding the Customer's annual onsite load. Qualified Customers making modifications and/or additions to their generating facilities that exceed the 10 percent or 1 kW limit referenced above have the option of either metering the additions and/ or modifications separately under another applicable schedule, or having the entire Eligible Customer-generator served under another applicable schedule, subject to the terms and conditions contained therein.
- (c) Ownership Transferability: Eligible Customer-generator eligible for the 20-year transition period shall not lose their eligibility if transferred to a new Owner, Operator, or Pacific Power Account, provided the Eligible Customer-generator remains at its original location. The transfer of an existing Eligible Customer-generator to a new location is considered a new installation requiring a new Interconnection Agreement that is subject to the applicable schedules in place at the time the new interconnection request is completed.

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- (d) Paired Energy Storage Systems: To the extent that eligible energy storage systems are considered an addition or enhancement to the Generating Facility served under this Schedule, the energy storage systems shall be treated in the same way, and subject to the same transition period, as the Eligible Customer-generators to which they are connected.
- 4) Release of Information: The Owner or Operator agrees that Pacific Power may from time to time release to the California Energy Commission (CEC) and/or the Commission information regarding the eligible SOMAH Residential Complex, including the Owner/Operator's name, each Eligible Customer-generator's location, their capacity and operating characteristics, and Qualified Customer names and account numbers at the Residential Complex.
- If a SOMAH applicant, or their designed representative, demonstrate barriers to the collection of meter number information onsite, such as missing or destroyed meter numbers, Pacific Power will provide correct meter number information to the applicant or designated representative after such request and demonstration is made. Upon receiving a SOMAH application, Pacific Power shall also specify to SOMAH applicants (or their designated representatives) when their submitted customer meter numbers might be incorrect.
- 5) Generator Interconnection Responsibility: To be eligible for NEMVS-139 service, the Owner must have an effective Interconnection Agreement with the utility. In addition, the Owner must have paid all interconnection costs, and costs associated with the Utility installing a generator output meter.
- 6) Separate Service for the Eligible Customer Generator(s): In order to participate in this schedule, the Owner must establish a dedicated service account(s) for the purposes of interconnecting the Eligible Customer-generator(s). This additional service and associated metering must comply with the same locational constraints placed on all participating accounts by being located on the same or contiguous properties of the Residential Complex. The location must be approved by Pacific Power and must not result in adverse impacts to the electrical system, as determined by Pacific Power. No additional load other than the incidental load related to the inverters and support of the renewable electrical generation facility may be registered on this additional metered service. All costs associated with the installation of the new service location must be paid by the Owner or Operator.

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- (7) Solar Generation Credit Allocation Request Form: In Order to participate in this Schedule, the owner or operator must submit a Solar Generation Credit Allocation Request Form. This form designates how the energy exported from the Eligible Customer-generator(s) will be allocated between Common Area Service Accounts and Tenant Service Accounts. The total exported energy designated to Common Area Service Accounts must be less than 50% of the total exported energy. The initial Owner-designated percentage split between Common Area Service Accounts and Tenant Service Accounts shall become effective on the regularly scheduled monthly meter read date closest to the date on which the form is received by the Utility and will remain in effect for a minimum of five years.

The designated allocation between Tenant Service Accounts shall remain in effect for a minimum of twelve months. The Owner or Operator may submit an updated form to revise these allocations at any time thereafter. These additional adjustments must also remain effective for at least twelve months. Modified Solar Generation Credit Allocation Request Forms shall become effective on the first regularly scheduled monthly meter read date that is at least 30 days following receipt by the Utility.

The Owner shall bear the responsibility for ensuring that the percent allocations for individual Qualified Customers are based on the relative size of the tenant's unit, consistent with the manner in which affordable housing rents are established. Credit that is allocated to a particular unit, but not applied to a Qualified Customer's bill due to occupant nonparticipation or unit vacancy (no active account) will be retained by the Utility.

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