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## Schedule 135 NET METERING SERVICE

#### **AVAILABLE:**

In all territory served by Company in the State of Washington.

### APPLICABLE:

To eligible Customers on a first-come, first-served basis, until the earlier of June 30, 2029, or the first date upon which the cumulative generating capacity of net metering systems equals four percent of the utility's peak demand during 1996, or 37.2 Megawatts of capacity. This is a supplemental schedule available to Customers operating on-site generation meeting eligibility requirements as described below.

### MONTHLY BILLING:

The Monthly Billing shall be the Electric Service Charge computed in accordance with the Monthly Billing in the applicable standard service tariff as modified herein.

#### **DEFINITIONS:**

- "Aggregated meter" means an additional meter that is aggregated for billing purposes with the designated meter and is eligible to receive credits under a meter aggregation arrangement.
- "Customer-generator" means a user of a net metering system.
- "Designated meter" means the meter that is physically attached to the net metering system that is interconnected to the Company's distribution system.
- "**Meter aggregation**" means the administrative combination of billing net energy consumption from a designated net meter and eligible aggregated meter.
- "**Net metering**" means measuring the difference between the electricity supplied by the Company and the excess electricity generated by a Customer-generator's net metering system over the applicable billing period.
- "**Net metering system**" means a fuel cell, a facility that produces electricity and used and useful thermal energy from a common fuel source, or a facility for the production of electrical energy that generates renewable energy.
- "Renewable energy" means energy generated by a facility that uses water, wind, solar energy, or biogas as a fuel.

#### SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

- Net metering is available on a first-come, first served basis to a Customer served by the Company that uses a Net Metering System that has an alternating current generating capacity of not more than one hundred kilowatts, is located on the Customer-generator's premises, operates in parallel with the Company's transmission and distribution facilities and is connected to the Company's distribution system, and is intended primarily to offset part or all of the Customer-generator's requirements for electricity.
- 2. If the energy supplied to the Company is less than the energy purchased from the Company, the prices specified in the Energy Charge section of the Monthly Billing of the applicable standard service tariff shall be applied to the positive balance owed to the Company.
- 3. If the energy purchased from the Company is less than the energy supplied to the Company, the Customer shall be billed for the appropriate monthly charges and shall be credited for such net energy with a kilowatt-hour credit appearing on the bill for the following billing period.
- 4. Any remaining unused kilowatt-hour credit accumulated through the March billing period each year shall be granted to the Company, without any compensation to the Customer.

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# SPECIAL CONDITIONS: (continued)

- 5. A Net Metering System used by a Customer shall include, at the Customer's own expense, all equipment necessary to meet applicable safety, power quality, and interconnection requirements established by the National Electrical Code, National Electrical Safety Code, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, and Underwriters Laboratories.
- 6. The Company will review Customer's installation for applicability, safety, power quality, and operational impacts on the Company's system. Company may require additional metering or safety measures to be installed at Customer's expense: (1) if significant reactive energy is consumed; (2) if significant distortions to the voltage waveform are produced; or (3) if the facility is self-generating (self-excited).
- 7. Customer shall be required to execute and adhere to an Interconnection Agreement.
- 8. Upon the Customer's request, the Company shall aggregate for billing purposes the designated meter with the additional aggregated meter provided that the total capacity of the net metering system does not exceed one hundred kilowatts alternating current. For a meter to be an eligible aggregated meter it must be located on the same parcel as the designated meter or a parcel that is contiguous with the parcel where the designated meter is located. A parcel is considered contiguous if they share a common property boundary, but may be separated only by a road or rail corridor. A meter so aggregated shall not change rate schedules due to meter aggregation. For Customers who choose to participate in meter aggregation, kilowatt-hour credits earned by a net metering system during the billing period first shall be used to offset energy supplied to the designated meter by the Company. Any additional excess kilowatt-hour credits earned by the net metering system, during the same billing period, shall then be credited by the Company to the aggregated meter at the designated rate of the aggregated meter. The Customer shall be billed an Aggregation Basic Charge for each aggregated meter. The Aggregation Basic Charge shall consist of an additional basic charge or load size charge, as applicable, equal to the basic charge or load size charge in the schedule under which the aggregated meter is billed for all schedules.
- 9. The owner of a multifamily residential facility may install a net metering system that is assigned to a single designated meter located on the premises of the multifamily residential facility and may distribute any benefits of the net metering to tenants of the facility where the net metering system is located, if tenants are not individually metered customers of the Company. The distribution of benefits to tenants of such a system, if any, is the responsibility of the owner of the net metering system and not the responsibility of the Company.
- 10. Except when required under the federal public utility regulatory policies act (PURPA), the Company may not establish compensation arrangements or interconnection requirements, other than those permitted in RCW 80.60.040(4), for a Customer-generator that would have the effect of prohibiting or restricting the ability of a Customer-generator to generate or store electricity for consumption on its premises.

#### TERMS OF SERVICE:

Not less than one year.

### **RULES AND REGULATIONS:**

Service under this Schedule is subject to the General Rules and Regulations contained in the tariff of which this Schedule is a part and to those prescribed by regulatory authorities.

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