



Renewable Energy Net Metering Rider

Purpose – The purpose of this rider is to enable customers who generate electricity using renewable energy sources to connect to the BWL’s electric distribution system and to send electricity back to the electric grid at time when their generation exceeds their own use.

Availability - Net Metering applicants must be an electric customer making use of any BWL Electric Rate Schedule. The Net Metering Program will be voluntary and selection of customers for participation in the net metering program shall be based on the order in which the applications for the net metering program are received by the BWL. The Net Metering Program will be in effect until the total nameplate capacity of all participating generators is equal to the maximum program limit of 1% of the BWL peak load for the preceding calendar year. The renewable energy generating system will not exceed 50 kW per site and may be limited to geographical regions within the BWL’s service territory.

Eligible Renewable Energy Resources - Customers must generate a portion or all of their own retail electricity requirements using a renewable energy resource including but not limited to the following: Biomass, Solar Photovoltaic or Wind. Other renewable energy resources not included in the list above must be approved in advance by the BWL.

Generation and Interconnection Requirements- The generation equipment must be located on the customer’s premise and serve only the customer’s premises. The Net Metering applicant shall be limited to generation capacity designed to meet the customer’s electric demand and energy needs. The BWL, at its discretion, will make the final determination of the acceptable size of the renewable energy generating system eligible for participation. Before participating in the Net Metering Program customers must be approved for parallel operation with BWL’s electric distribution system by meeting all interconnection requirements.

Monthly Rate – All Net Metering customers will be billed \$5.00 per month to recover costs associated with operating the Net Metering Program.

Net metering customers with a system capable of generating 20 kW or less shall qualify for true net metering. For customers who qualify for true net metering, the net of the bidirectional flow of kWh across the customer interconnection with the BWL distribution system during the billing period, including excess generation credits, shall be credited at the full retail energy (kWh) rate.

- a) The credit for Net Excess Generation (NEG), if any, shall appear on the next bill and any excess credit not used to offset current charges shall be carried forward for use in subsequent billing periods.
- b) Reconciliation of any NEG credits will occur at the end of each calendar year. At that time the customer’s NEG credit balance will be reset to zero and any NEG credits will be refunded at the retail power supply rate.
- c) If a customer leaves the provider’s system or service is terminated for any reason, the BWL shall refund to the customer the remaining NEG credit amount. Remaining NEG credits will be refunded at the retail power supply rate.
- d) The retail power supply rate includes the BWL generation costs and purchase power and other related costs.

Net metering customers with a system capable of generating more than 20 kW but less than 50 kW will qualify for modified net metering. The BWL shall require individual contracts with customers with generation systems of more than 20 kW for billing purposes.

Rules and Regulations – Service under this rider is subject to the BWL Rules and Regulations for Electric Service and the Renewable Energy Net Metering Program Standards. The BWL reserves the right to revise the terms and conditions including any electric energy buy-back pricing rates of future Net Metering programs.