Net Billing Tariff Solar Billing Plan

APPLICABILITY: This Net Billing Tariff (NBT) provides the billing mechanism by which customers can receive credit for self-generated renewable energy exported to the grid. The customer facing name Solar Billing Plan (SBP) is available to customers operating solar, wind, biomass, geothermal, or other renewable resources as defined by the California Energy Commission’s Renewables Portfolio Standard Eligibility Guidebook. The customer must participate in PG&E’s SBP (or successor) for non-generation services such as transmission and distribution. SCP’s SBP program applies to all PG&E SBP customers receiving electric generation services from SCP, including customers with battery storage, renewable fuel cells, or under future aggregated or virtual designs.

New customers who apply to connect their solar system to the electric grid after April 14, 2023, will be enrolled on the Solar Billing Plan.

TERRITORY: This tariff is available to active Sonoma Clean Power (SCP) customers located in SCP’s service territory, which includes the Cities of Cloverdale, Cotati, Fort Bragg, Petaluma, Point Arena, Rohnert Park, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol, Sonoma, Willits, the Town of Windsor, and the unincorporated areas of Sonoma County and Mendocino County (excludes the Cities of Healdsburg & Ukiah).

RATES: All SCP rates charged under this schedule will be in accordance with the customer-generator’s CleanStart Rate Schedule (“OAS”). A customer-generator served under this schedule is responsible for all applicable SCP charges from its CleanStart Rate Schedule including energy and demand charges, EverGreen premium (for EverGreen customers), taxes, and surcharges. Charges or credits for energy (kWh) supplied or delivered to SCP will be based on usage in accordance with the customer CleanStart Rate Schedule and this Tariff.

PG&E’s net billing tariffs, requirements, and rates still apply. SCP customers will continue to be subject to the terms, conditions, and billing procedures of PG&E for services other than electric generation.

SCP rates and rate design, including the rates and rate design reflected in this Tariff, are subject to change from time to time. Customers should take this into consideration when making any long-term decisions based on rate structures that are currently in place.

BILLING: For customer-generators taking service on the CleanStart Rate Schedule, any net monthly consumption or generation shall be valued as follows:
1. Monthly Settlement of SCP Charges and/or Credits:
   a. “Net Electric Consumption” is defined as when customer energy usage exceeds generation during any billing cycle and shall be billed in accordance with applicable TOU period-specific rates/charges, as described in the CleanStart Rate Schedule and Rates.
   b. “Net Electric Generation” is defined as when customer energy generation exceeds usage during any billing TOU period and shall be credited in accordance with applicable TOU period-specific rates/charges, as described in the customer-generator’s CleanStart Rate Schedule.
   c. “Imported Electricity” is defined as when a customer uses any metered energy supplied by SCP.
   d. “Exported Electricity” is defined as when a customer supplies any metered energy to the electric grid.
   e. “Exported Rates” are defined as the appropriate credit for any Exported Electricity, based on the sum of the applicable interval Energy Export Rate and any applicable credit surcharges.
   f. “Export Credit Balance” is defined as when a customer has excess export credits carried into the next month, or into the SCP Annual Cash-Out process.
   g. “EverGreen Premium” is defined as SCP’s voluntary 100% renewable service. The EverGreen Premium is charged on all net consumption of energy during a billing cycle. It is not credited to customers for over-generation.
   h. Any charges due for Net Electric Consumption will be assessed in each monthly statement. If the customer’s account has available credits from current or previous Net Electric Generation, these credits will be applied against usage charges first before any charges are assessed.
   i. Any excess Net Electric Generation credits will be tracked by SCP on the customer’s bill as a credit and will be applied to future billing cycles within the same SCP Annual Cash Out period as defined below.
   j. Credit balances do not have any cash value except as defined in the Cash Out process below.

2. SCP Annual Cash Out and True-Up:
   a. Following the final date and bill for each customer’s April billing cycle (if the customer does not have an April meter read, the prior or next available month will be used), SCP will initiate a True-Up of each customer account’s balance. Any accrued credit balance will be reset to zero for the beginning of the next 12-month period.
   b. A review will be conducted for each customer’s kilowatt-hour consumption and generation during the spring to spring annual true-up. If the customer’s Exported Electricity is greater than their Imported Electricity during the
annual cash out period, the customer is eligible for a Cash Out payment at SCP’s Net Surplus Compensation (NSC) rate.

c. SCP’s NSC rate will be updated each January for the remainder of the calendar year based on PG&E’s average NSC for the previous calendar year. PG&E’s NSC is set monthly at the rolling average of PG&E’s default load aggregation point price from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

d. The NSC rate is located on SCP’s Rate Sheets displayed on its website at www.sonomacleanpower.org.

e. NSC payments are subject to a cap of $5,000 per account annually.

f. Customers will receive NSC payments automatically, paid by check if they have $200 or more in credits, to the customer’s mailing address on their PG&E account. Credit balances of less than $200 will instead be credited to the customer’s new account balance.

If the cash out check is not cashed within 90 days of issuance, the payment will be canceled and reissued upon customer request. If cash out payments remain unclaimed, SCP will follow the requirements of Government Code Section 50050-50057 et. Seq. regarding the handling of unclaimed funds.

g. SCP will perform an Export Credit Reversal to avoid double-payment for exported electricity. The initial export credit will be reversed at the average Energy Export Credit rate. This will be charged against any Energy Credit Balance available, otherwise it will be charged against the NSC payment.

3. Transition from NEM to SBP Service

Customers transitioning from NEM to SBP service will have their current NEM escrow balance at time of transition to their SBP Export Credit Balance. Once transitioned to SBP service, only the SBP annual cash out process will be utilized as detailed above.

4. Customers Returning to PG&E Bundled Service and Account Closures:

a. SCP customers with SBP service may opt out and return to PG&E bundled service at any time, subject to SCP and PG&E’s terms and conditions for return to bundled service. Customers are advised that PG&E will perform a True-Up of their account for any PG&E charges at the time of return to PG&E bundled service.

b. Customers returning to PG&E service or closing their PG&E account will have an SCP True-Up to determine if the customer is eligible for NSC. NSC will be paid automatically (if applicable) by check to the customer’s PG&E mailing addresses unless another address is provided by the customer. There is no minimum threshold for receiving a NSC check, but the maximum NSC is $5,000 and any credits above that will be forfeited.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS: Nothing in the Net Billing Tariff precludes or supersedes SCP’s Terms and Conditions. SCP’s Terms and Conditions can be found at sonomacleanpower.org/terms-and-conditions.

More information about SCP’s Solar Billing Plan can be found online at sonomacleanpower.org/programs/sbp or by calling 1 (855) 202-2139.