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Dear Commission Members:

I am a Rhode Island Energy residential customer in Jamestown considering rooftop solar. I use heat pumps, so understanding whether summer solar credits can offset winter electricity purchases is important to my investment decision.

Please clarify how the proposed excess-generation provisions apply to a single-meter residential solar system of 25 kW or less.

Section 4.12 defines excess by reference to consumption during the applicable billing period. However, the tariff also excludes these small single-meter systems from the annual reconciliation pool and retains residential credit carryforward provisions. As a customer, I cannot readily determine how these provisions operate together.

Specifically:

1. Would generation exceeding consumption in a summer billing period receive wholesale-value credits, or ordinary net-metering credits carried forward toward winter bills?
2. Does annual consumption exceeding annual solar generation affect that treatment?
3. Is ordinary-value carryforward assured for eligible residential customers, or subject to Rhode Island Energy's discretion?

Please require clear tariff language and a public billing example showing a household with summer surplus generation but annual consumption greater than annual generation. The example should identify when wholesale pricing applies and the value of any credits carried forward.

I am requesting clarification rather than assuming the proposal necessarily reduces residential credits. Customers need a clear answer before committing to a long-term solar purchase or lease.

Please include this comment in the record for Docket 26-30-EL.

Thank you,
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