

August 12, 2016

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Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission
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RE: Tariff Advice to Amend National Grid's Renewable Energy Growth Program For Residential Customers Tariff Provision, RIPUC No. 2151-A and Renewable Energy Growth Program for Non-Residential Customers, RIPUC No. 2152-A. Docket No. _____

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Pursuant to Rule 1.9(c) of the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, I have enclosed ten (10) clean and marked copies of National Grid's¹ revisions to the Company's Renewable Energy (RE) Growth Program For Residential Customers Tariff Provision, RIPUC No. 2151-A (Residential Tariff) and the Renewable Energy (RE) Growth Program For Non-Residential Customers Tariff Provision, RIPUC No. 2152-A (Non-Residential Tariff). The Company is filing this tariff advice to reflect the following changes to the Residential Tariff and Non-Residential Tariffs: (1) revised the language in the Residential Tariff regarding project segmentation to clarify that projects on contiguous parcels or a single parcel will not be considered as segmented if they serve different Residential Customers; and (2) revised the tariff supplement sections of both the Residential and Non-Residential Tariffs by re-attaching the original "First Supplement" to the Tariff, which includes the Performance Based Incentives (PBI) for the first year of the program (April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016) and re-numbering the existing supplement as the "Second Supplement" to the Tariffs, which contains current program year (April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017) PBIs. The Company has also enclosed ten copies of clean and marked versions of the Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules for Small-Scale Solar Projects (Small-Scale Rules) to mirror the changes to the RE Growth Residential Tariff regarding project segmentation. As described below, the Company also made one additional change to the application section of the Small-Scale Rules to clarify the application requirements.

The Company has detailed the enclosed revisions below.

¹The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid (National Grid or the Company).

Summary of Revisions to Residential Tariff

- The original “First Supplement” to the Tariff, which includes the PBIs for the first year of the program (April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016) has been re-attached to the tariff. In addition, the existing supplement, which contains the PBIs for the current program year (April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017), has been re-labeled the “Second Supplement” to the tariff.²
- Assigned RIPUC No. 2151-B as the new tariff number.
- Added issue date of August 12, 2016.
- **Sheet 3:** Revised the language in Section 3(iii) regarding project segmentation to clarify that projects on contiguous parcels or a single parcel will not be considered as segmented if they serve different Residential Customers. This revision is intended to address the issue involved when one resident of a duplex, townhouse or other multi-family configuration installs a solar system on the parcel of land under the RE Growth Tariff and, on a future date, another separately served resident on the same parcel tries to install a solar system on the same roof. Based on the current language in the Residential Tariff that prohibits project segmentation, the second resident would be prohibited from installing a system on the parcel and participating in the RE Growth Program until 24 months have elapsed since the first resident installed the solar system.

Summary of Revisions to Non-Residential Tariff

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Summary of Revisions to Small-Scale Rules:

- Revised the language in Section 1.2.2.3.1 (Prohibition on Project Segmentation) to mirror Residential Tariff and clarify that projects on contiguous parcels or a single parcel will not be considered as segmented if they serve different Residential Customers.
- Revised the language in Section 1.2.1 to clarify the application requirements. Specifically, the revisions provide that, to be eligible to receive approval for the current program year’s tariff

² Additional tariff supplements for subsequent program years will be added in future tariff filings reflecting the PBIs for the respective program years. For instance, the Third Supplement for the residential and non-residential tariffs will contain the PBIs for the third year of the program (April 1, 2017 through March 31, 2018).

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rates and terms, and available enrollment class capacity, Small-Scale Solar applicants must submit and the Company must receive by 4:00 p.m. on March 31, 2017, all complete and signed required forms and documentation, as listed on the RE Growth application check list. The revisions also provide that any application that is missing required forms or information will be deemed to be applying for inclusion in the following program year at that year's tariff rates and terms, and available enrollment class capacity.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at 781-907-2121.

Very truly yours,



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THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY
RENEWABLE ENERGY GROWTH PROGRAM FOR RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS

1. Introduction

This tariff (“Tariff”) describes the terms and conditions under which an Applicant for a solar electricity generating facility (“Residential Small-Scale Solar Project” or “Project”) will receive funding pursuant to Chapter 26.6 of Title 39 of the Rhode Island General Laws (“Chapter 26.6”), which refers to the Renewable Energy Growth Program (“RE Growth Program”).

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The Applicant is required to complete and update, as appropriate, the Application information for the Project, including but not limited to: the Project owner, the Customer, the electric service account, and the recipient of Performance-Based Incentive Payments. Also, an Applicant may designate a successor Applicant for the Project. The Applicant may, but need not be, the same person or entity to pursue the interconnection of the Project with the Company’s electric distribution system. The Applicant maintains the obligation to ensure that all aspects of the Project comply with the terms of the Rules and this Tariff. Upon notice to the Company, the Applicant may transfer the compensation under this Tariff to another person or entity without the consent of the Company.

2. Definitions

The following words and terms shall have the following meanings when used in this Tariff:

- a. Applicant: the person or entity with legal authority to enroll the Project in the RE Growth Program, and with the obligation to ensure that all aspects of the Project comply with the Rules and Tariff.
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- f. Company: The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid.
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- j. Program Year: a year beginning April 1 and ending March 31, unless otherwise approved by the Commission.
- k. Project: a solar photovoltaic electricity generating facility that meets the eligibility requirements of the Rules and this Tariff, that is located in the Company's service territory, and that is interconnected with the Company's electric distribution system at a residential service location.
- l. Renewable Energy Certificate ("REC"): an electronic record produced by the New England Power Pool Generation Information System ("NEPOOL-GIS") that identifies the relevant generation attributes of each megawatt-hour accounted for in the NEPOOL-GIS.
- m. SolarWise Program: an energy efficiency and solar program, which, pursuant to RI Gen Laws § 39-26.6-19, encourages the use of residential and non-residential solar photovoltaic equipment by offering extra incentives from the RE Growth Program when customers pursue greater energy efficiency savings through the Energy Efficiency Program Plan, which the Company files pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws. § 39-1-27.7.

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- n. Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules for Small-Scale Solar Projects: the rules that govern the solicitation, enrollment, and award processes for the RE Growth Program applicable to Customers, established pursuant to Chapter 26.6, and approved by the Commission.

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Rhode Island law prohibits project segmentation in the RE Growth Program. In no case may a project developer be allowed to segment a distributed generation project on the same parcel or contiguous parcels into smaller sized projects in order to fall under a smaller size project classification. Subject to the exceptions below, projects proposed by a developer on the same parcel or contiguous parcels will be presumed to have been segmented, and only one of the projects will be eligible for a Certificate of Eligibility. An Applicant may appeal the Company's decision to the Commission.

Before making its determination, the Company will look for one of the following exceptions to the prohibition on project segmentation:

- i. The Projects use different renewable energy resources; or
- ii. The Projects use the same renewable energy resource, but they are: (1) electrically segregated; (2) separately metered; and (3) can demonstrate that 24 months have elapsed between the commencement of operation for one Project and the commencement of construction of any additional Project.
- iii. Projects on contiguous parcels or a single parcel will not be considered as segmented if they serve different Residential Customers.

If the Company determines that a Project is ineligible to enroll in the RE Growth Program due to project segmentation, such project may be eligible for compensation pursuant to the Net Metering Provision or through other energy market participation. Rhode Island law requires eligible Projects must not already be operating to participate in the RE Growth Program, therefore any Project receiving compensation pursuant to the Net Metering Provision is not eligible for the RE Growth Program. Furthermore, if an Applicant is awarded a Certificate of Eligibility for a Project and that Project is receiving Performance-Based Incentive Payments pursuant to this Tariff, the Project will not receive compensation pursuant to the Net Metering Provision for the same Project during the term of service specified in the applicable Tariff supplement.

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4. Metering

- a. The Company shall install a Company-owned meter on all Projects for the purpose of measuring the output of the Project. The meter for the Project shall be wired in parallel with and be adjacent to the existing service meter.
- b. The Company must be provided with adequate access to read the meter(s), and to install, repair, maintain, and replace the meter(s).

5. Renewable Energy Certificates and Other Environmental Attributes

For the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement, the Company shall have the rights and title to the RECs and any other environmental attributes, as described below, or market products associated with the generation output of the Project. Pursuant to Chapter 26.6, the Customer shall retain title to all energy and capacity produced by the Project, shall be deemed to have consumed such energy and capacity on-site during the applicable billing period, and no sale of the Project's energy or capacity by the Customer to the Company shall be deemed to have occurred.

Prior to receiving compensation pursuant to Section 6 of this Tariff, an Applicant must cooperate with the Company to obtain Commission certification of a Project as an Eligible Renewable Energy Resource pursuant to the Commission's Rules and Regulations Governing the Implementation of a Renewable Energy Standard. In addition, the Applicant is required to cooperate with the Company to qualify the DG Project under the renewable portfolio standard or similar law and/or regulation of New York, Massachusetts, and/or one or more New England states and/or any federal renewable energy standard.

RECs must be delivered to the Company's appropriate NEPOOL-GIS account. This will be accomplished through registration of the Project with the NEPOOL-GIS. The Applicant shall provide all necessary information and cooperate with the Company to enable the Company to obtain the appropriate asset identification for reporting generation to the NEPOOL-GIS for the creation of RECs and direct all RECs from the Project to the Company's appropriate NEPOOL-GIS account. The Applicant will provide approvals or assignments, including, but not limited to, completing the REC Assignment and Aggregation Form to facilitate the Project's participation in asset aggregation or other model of asset registration and reporting.

Environmental attributes shall include any and all generation attributes or energy services as established by regional, state, federal, or international law, rule, regulation or competitive market or business method that are attributable, now or in the future, to the output produced by the Project during the term of service specified on the applicable Tariff supplement.

6. Performance-Based Incentive Payment

- a. Eligibility

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Upon receipt of a Certificate of Eligibility, the Applicant is entitled to the Performance-Based Incentive Payment for the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement, provided that the Applicant has complied with all other requirements of this Tariff and the Rules.

As a condition for receiving monthly payments pursuant to Section 6.c, the Applicant must provide confirmation of the following: (1) the Company's written authority to interconnect to its electric distribution system and the Applicant's payment of all amounts due, as assessed by the Company; (2) Commission certification of the Project as an Eligible Renewable Energy Resource pursuant to the Commission's Rules and Regulations Governing the Implementation of a Renewable Energy Standard and NEPOOL-GIS asset registration; as demonstrated by the Applicant's completion of the Renewable Energy Certificate Assignment and Aggregation Form; and (3) the Customer's associated electric service account is not in arrears and the Customer is current on any approved payment plan. Applicants qualified for Solar Bonus Payments must complete the requisite energy efficiency measures prior to receiving payment under this Tariff.

b. Performance-Based Incentive

The Performance-Based Incentive shall be the Performance-Based Incentive that is recommended by the Board and approved by the Commission and will be a fixed per-kWh price for the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement, and indicated on the Certificate of Eligibility provided to the Applicant.

c. Performance-Based Incentive Payment

The Performance-Based Incentive Payment will be the fixed per-kWh Performance-Based Incentive applied to the measured kWh produced by the Project and it shall be provided to the Applicant and/or to the Customer as follows:

The Customer's bill will be based upon the On-Site Use, the retail delivery service charges, and the Standard Offer Service or Non-Regulated Power Producer charges in effect during the billing period and which applies to the Customer's retail delivery service rate class. The Company shall apply a Bill Credit, as calculated below, to offset the Customer's bill. The Bill Credit will appear as a separate line item on the Customer's bill.

$$BC = \quad OSU \times (DCHG + SOS)$$

Where:

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- OSU = On-Site Use kWh at the lesser of 1) the On-Site Use measured in kWh for the applicable billing month, or 2) the Project's output measured in kWh for the applicable billing month.
- DCHG = the sum of all retail delivery service per-kWh charges applicable to the Customer's retail delivery service rate class per RIPUC No. 2095, Summary of Retail Delivery Rates, as may be amended from time to time.
- SOS = the Residential Standard Offer Service charge per RIPUC No. 2096, Summary of Standard Offer Service Rates, as may be amended from time to time.

The remaining amount of the Performance-Based Incentive Payment will be paid in the form a check (or by other agreed-upon means) to the recipient as identified on the Application. The Customer will be responsible for paying any balance due on the electric bill in accordance with the Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service.

If the Bill Credit in a given month exceeds the Performance-Based Incentive Payment, the Customer shall receive the full amount of the Bill Credit, which will not exceed the total of the per kWh delivery service charges and applicable Standard Offer Service charge, excluding the customer charge and any applicable taxes. There will be no additional amounts related to the calculation of the Performance-Based Incentive Payment charged or credited to the Customer or the recipient identified on the Application.

Only one billing account will be eligible to receive Bill Credits from each Project pursuant to this provision.

d. SolarWise Program

Applicants who have been approved as qualifying for a SolarWise Bonus Tier are eligible to receive SolarWise Bonus Payments. The PBI payments pursuant to Section 6.c of this Tariff will be adjusted to reflect the percentage increase applicable to the SolarWise Bonus Tier indicated on the Applicant's SolarWise Approval and Certificate of Eligibility.

Bill credits will be applied to the billing account of the customer that received the energy efficiency audit and must be located at the same premise at which the solar DG Project is installed. All solar PV systems eligible for SolarWise Bonus Award levels must be sized such that the maximum annual electric (kWh) output is not greater than the 3-year historic annual average electric (kWh) usage of the customer at that location minus the estimated annual electric energy (kWh) savings from the realized or committed measures on their SolarWise application. Systems can also be sized to produce less than the annual usage limit. The use of Excluded Technologies can adjust these calculations.

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Example: If a residential customer used an average of 10,000 kWh per year over the previous three years, and implemented energy savings of 2,000 kWh per year, the resulting SolarWise eligible system would be sized to produce no more than a maximum of 8,000 kWh in the course of a year. The maximum size of the customer's solar PV system (using a capacity factor of 14% for this example) would then decrease from 8.15 kW DC to 6.52 kW DC.

If a customer application included Excluded Technologies Adjustments, the system may be sized to include generation sufficient to power the eligible "Excluded Technologies." For example, if the customer example above also provided evidence of an electric vehicle in possession at the time of application that would consume 2,000 kWh per year, the eligible system size would increase to 8.15 kW, in order to generate 10,000 kWh per year. All of this production would be eligible for the SolarWise Bonus Awards.

7. Other Company Tariff Requirements

- a. The Company will provide the Customer with retail delivery service under the applicable retail delivery service tariff and the Company's Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service.
- b. The Applicant is required to comply with the Company's Standards for Connecting Distributed Generation.
- c. To be eligible to receive Renewable Net Metering Credits and Excess Renewable Net Metering Credits pursuant to the Company's Net Metering Provision following the termination of the Customer's participation in the RE Growth Program, the Project and the Customer must comply with the applicable provisions of the Company's Net Metering Provision.
- d. The Company's recovery of all costs it incurs to implement and administer the RE Growth Program is pursuant to the Renewable Energy Growth Program Cost Recovery Provision.

8. Dispute Resolution

If any dispute arises between the Company and either the Applicant or the Customer, the dispute shall be brought before the Commission for resolution. Such disputes may include but are not limited to those concerning the Rules, terms, conditions, rights, responsibilities, the termination of the Tariff or Tariff supplement, or the performance of the Applicant, the Customer, or the Company.

9. Termination

The Applicant and the Customer shall comply with the provisions of this Tariff through the end of the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement. The Applicant and the Customer may not terminate their obligations under this Tariff unless and until the Company consents to such termination.

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The Company will not unreasonably delay or withhold its consent to an Applicant's request to terminate if the Applicant cannot fulfill the obligations because of an event or circumstance that is beyond the Applicant's reasonable control and for which the Applicant could not prevent or provide against by using commercially reasonable efforts.

Only the Project described on the Certificate of Eligibility is eligible to participate under this Tariff. In no event shall an Applicant expand a Project's nameplate capacity beyond what is allowed by the Certificate of Eligibility. If a Project exceeds the nameplate capacity allowed by the Certificate of Eligibility, the Company may revoke the Certificate of Eligibility.

The Customer and Applicant are required to comply with this Tariff. If the Company determines that a Customer or Applicant has violated the terms and conditions of this Tariff, or the provisions of any other applicable Company tariffs or applicable rules, regulations, or laws, the Company may revoke the Customer or Applicant's Certificate of Eligibility.

10. Statutory Authority

This Tariff is filed in compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-10. The Company will file Tariff supplements and all revisions to this Tariff annually by November 15. This Tariff and its supplements are subject to review, approval, and the exclusive jurisdiction of the Commission.

Effective Date: April 1, 2016

The Narragansett Electric Company
Renewable Energy Growth Program for Residential Customers
Tariff Supplement

Program Year: April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016

Performance-Based Incentives and associated Performance-Based Incentive Payment shall remain in effect during the term of service noted below in accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-20.

Term of Service represents the period of time during which the Project earns Performance-Based Incentive Payments. The billing month during which Performance-Based Incentive Payments begin will be specific to each individual Project, and the Term of Service for a particular Project will commence upon the first month of operation.

Renewable Energy Class	System Size	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh)	Term of Service
Small-Scale Solar I, Host Owned	1 to 10 kW	41.35¢	15 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Host Owned	1 to 10 kW	37.75¢	20 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Third-Party Owned	1 to 10 kW	32.95¢	20 years
Small-Scale Solar II	11 to 25 kW	29.80¢	20 years

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Small-Scale Solar I, Host Owned	1 to 10 kW	37.65¢	39.53¢	41.42¢	n/a	n/a	15 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Host Owned	1 to 10 kW	33.45¢	35.12¢	36.80¢	n/a	n/a	20 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Third-Party Owned	1 to 10 kW	28.35¢	n/a	n/a	28.92¢	29.48¢	15 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Third-Party Owned	1 to 10 kW	24.70¢	n/a	n/a	25.19¢	25.69¢	20 years

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Before making its determination, the Company will look for one of the following exceptions to the prohibition on project segmentation:

- i. The Projects use different renewable energy resources; or
- ii. The Projects use the same renewable energy resource, but they are: (1) electrically segregated; (2) separately metered; and (3) can demonstrate that 24 months have elapsed between the commencement of operation for one Project and the commencement of construction of any additional Project.
- iii. Projects on contiguous parcels or a single parcel will not be considered as segmented if they serve different Residential Customers.

If the Company determines that a Project is ineligible to enroll in the RE Growth Program due to project segmentation, such project may be eligible for compensation pursuant to the Net Metering Provision or through other energy market participation. Rhode Island law requires eligible Projects must not already be operating to participate in the RE Growth Program, therefore any Project receiving compensation pursuant to the Net Metering Provision is not eligible for the RE Growth Program. Furthermore, if an Applicant is awarded a Certificate of Eligibility for a Project and that Project is receiving Performance-Based Incentive Payments pursuant to this Tariff, the Project will not receive compensation pursuant to the Net Metering Provision for the same Project during the term of service specified in the applicable Tariff supplement.

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4. Metering

- a. The Company shall install a Company-owned meter on all Projects for the purpose of measuring the output of the Project. The meter for the Project shall be wired in parallel with and be adjacent to the existing service meter.
- b. The Company must be provided with adequate access to read the meter(s), and to install, repair, maintain, and replace the meter(s).

5. Renewable Energy Certificates and Other Environmental Attributes

For the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement, the Company shall have the rights and title to the RECs and any other environmental attributes, as described below, or market products associated with the generation output of the Project. Pursuant to Chapter 26.6, the Customer shall retain title to all energy and capacity produced by the Project, shall be deemed to have consumed such energy and capacity on-site during the applicable billing period, and no sale of the Project's energy or capacity by the Customer to the Company shall be deemed to have occurred.

Prior to receiving compensation pursuant to Section 6 of this Tariff, an Applicant must cooperate with the Company to obtain Commission certification of a Project as an Eligible Renewable Energy Resource pursuant to the Commission's Rules and Regulations Governing the Implementation of a Renewable Energy Standard. In addition, the Applicant is required to cooperate with the Company to qualify the DG Project under the renewable portfolio standard or similar law and/or regulation of New York, Massachusetts, and/or one or more New England states and/or any federal renewable energy standard.

RECs must be delivered to the Company's appropriate NEPOOL-GIS account. This will be accomplished through registration of the Project with the NEPOOL-GIS. The Applicant shall provide all necessary information and cooperate with the Company to enable the Company to obtain the appropriate asset identification for reporting generation to the NEPOOL-GIS for the creation of RECs and direct all RECs from the Project to the Company's appropriate NEPOOL-GIS account. The Applicant will provide approvals or assignments, including, but not limited to, completing the REC Assignment and Aggregation Form to facilitate the Project's participation in asset aggregation or other model of asset registration and reporting.

Environmental attributes shall include any and all generation attributes or energy services as established by regional, state, federal, or international law, rule, regulation or competitive market or business method that are attributable, now or in the future, to the output produced by the Project during the term of service specified on the applicable Tariff supplement.

6. Performance-Based Incentive Payment

- a. Eligibility

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Upon receipt of a Certificate of Eligibility, the Applicant is entitled to the Performance-Based Incentive Payment for the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement, provided that the Applicant has complied with all other requirements of this Tariff and the Rules.

As a condition for receiving monthly payments pursuant to Section 6.c, the Applicant must provide confirmation of the following: (1) the Company's written authority to interconnect to its electric distribution system and the Applicant's payment of all amounts due, as assessed by the Company; (2) Commission certification of the Project as an Eligible Renewable Energy Resource pursuant to the Commission's Rules and Regulations Governing the Implementation of a Renewable Energy Standard and NEPOOL-GIS asset registration; as demonstrated by the Applicant's completion of the Renewable Energy Certificate Assignment and Aggregation Form; and (3) the Customer's associated electric service account is not in arrears and the Customer is current on any approved payment plan. Applicants qualified for Solar Bonus Payments must complete the requisite energy efficiency measures prior to receiving payment under this Tariff.

b. Performance-Based Incentive

The Performance-Based Incentive shall be the Performance-Based Incentive that is recommended by the Board and approved by the Commission and will be a fixed per-kWh price for the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement, and indicated on the Certificate of Eligibility provided to the Applicant.

c. Performance-Based Incentive Payment

The Performance-Based Incentive Payment will be the fixed per-kWh Performance-Based Incentive applied to the measured kWh produced by the Project and it shall be provided to the Applicant and/or to the Customer as follows:

The Customer's bill will be based upon the On-Site Use, the retail delivery service charges, and the Standard Offer Service or Non-Regulated Power Producer charges in effect during the billing period and which applies to the Customer's retail delivery service rate class. The Company shall apply a Bill Credit, as calculated below, to offset the Customer's bill. The Bill Credit will appear as a separate line item on the Customer's bill.

$$BC = \text{OSU} \times (\text{DCHG} + \text{SOS})$$

Where:

$$BC = \text{Bill Credit}$$

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- OSU = On-Site Use kWh at the lesser of 1) the On-Site Use measured in kWh for the applicable billing month, or 2) the Project's output measured in kWh for the applicable billing month.
- DCHG = the sum of all retail delivery service per-kWh charges applicable to the Customer's retail delivery service rate class per RIPUC No. 2095, Summary of Retail Delivery Rates, as may be amended from time to time.
- SOS = the Residential Standard Offer Service charge per RIPUC No. 2096, Summary of Standard Offer Service Rates, as may be amended from time to time.

The remaining amount of the Performance-Based Incentive Payment will be paid in the form a check (or by other agreed-upon means) to the recipient as identified on the Application. The Customer will be responsible for paying any balance due on the electric bill in accordance with the Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service.

If the Bill Credit in a given month exceeds the Performance-Based Incentive Payment, the Customer shall receive the full amount of the Bill Credit, which will not exceed the total of the per kWh delivery service charges and applicable Standard Offer Service charge, excluding the customer charge and any applicable taxes. There will be no additional amounts related to the calculation of the Performance-Based Incentive Payment charged or credited to the Customer or the recipient identified on the Application.

Only one billing account will be eligible to receive Bill Credits from each Project pursuant to this provision.

d. SolarWise Program

Applicants who have been approved as qualifying for a SolarWise Bonus Tier are eligible to receive SolarWise Bonus Payments. The PBI payments pursuant to Section 6.c of this Tariff will be adjusted to reflect the percentage increase applicable to the SolarWise Bonus Tier indicated on the Applicant's SolarWise Approval and Certificate of Eligibility.

Bill credits will be applied to the billing account of the customer that received the energy efficiency audit and must be located at the same premise at which the solar DG Project is installed. All solar PV systems eligible for SolarWise Bonus Award levels must be sized such that the maximum annual electric (kWh) output is not greater than the 3-year historic annual average electric (kWh) usage of the customer at that location minus the estimated annual electric energy (kWh) savings from the realized or committed measures on their SolarWise application. Systems can also be sized to produce less than the annual usage limit. The use of Excluded Technologies can adjust these calculations.

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Example: If a residential customer used an average of 10,000 kWh per year over the previous three years, and implemented energy savings of 2,000 kWh per year, the resulting SolarWise eligible system would be sized to produce no more than a maximum of 8,000 kWh in the course of a year. The maximum size of the customer's solar PV system (using a capacity factor of 14% for this example) would then decrease from 8.15 kW DC to 6.52 kW DC.

If a customer application included Excluded Technologies Adjustments, the system may be sized to include generation sufficient to power the eligible "Excluded Technologies." For example, if the customer example above also provided evidence of an electric vehicle in possession at the time of application that would consume 2,000 kWh per year, the eligible system size would increase to 8.15 kW, in order to generate 10,000 kWh per year. All of this production would be eligible for the SolarWise Bonus Awards.

7. Other Company Tariff Requirements

- a. The Company will provide the Customer with retail delivery service under the applicable retail delivery service tariff and the Company's Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service.
- b. The Applicant is required to comply with the Company's Standards for Connecting Distributed Generation.
- c. To be eligible to receive Renewable Net Metering Credits and Excess Renewable Net Metering Credits pursuant to the Company's Net Metering Provision following the termination of the Customer's participation in the RE Growth Program, the Project and the Customer must comply with the applicable provisions of the Company's Net Metering Provision.
- d. The Company's recovery of all costs it incurs to implement and administer the RE Growth Program is pursuant to the Renewable Energy Growth Program Cost Recovery Provision.

8. Dispute Resolution

If any dispute arises between the Company and either the Applicant or the Customer, the dispute shall be brought before the Commission for resolution. Such disputes may include but are not limited to those concerning the Rules, terms, conditions, rights, responsibilities, the termination of the Tariff or Tariff supplement, or the performance of the Applicant, the Customer, or the Company.

9. Termination

The Applicant and the Customer shall comply with the provisions of this Tariff through the end of the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement. The Applicant and the Customer may not terminate their obligations under this Tariff unless and until the Company consents to such termination.

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The Company will not unreasonably delay or withhold its consent to an Applicant's request to terminate if the Applicant cannot fulfill the obligations because of an event or circumstance that is beyond the Applicant's reasonable control and for which the Applicant could not prevent or provide against by using commercially reasonable efforts.

Only the Project described on the Certificate of Eligibility is eligible to participate under this Tariff. In no event shall an Applicant expand a Project's nameplate capacity beyond what is allowed by the Certificate of Eligibility. If a Project exceeds the nameplate capacity allowed by the Certificate of Eligibility, the Company may revoke the Certificate of Eligibility.

The Customer and Applicant are required to comply with this Tariff. If the Company determines that a Customer or Applicant has violated the terms and conditions of this Tariff, or the provisions of any other applicable Company tariffs or applicable rules, regulations, or laws, the Company may revoke the Customer or Applicant's Certificate of Eligibility.

10. Statutory Authority

This Tariff is filed in compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-10. The Company will file Tariff supplements and all revisions to this Tariff annually by November 15. This Tariff and its supplements are subject to review, approval, and the exclusive jurisdiction of the Commission.

Effective Date: April 1, 2016

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Renewable Energy Growth Program for Residential Customers
Tariff Supplement

Program Year: April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016

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Term of Service represents the period of time during which the Project earns Performance-Based Incentive Payments. The billing month during which Performance-Based Incentive Payments begin will be specific to each individual Project, and the Term of Service for a particular Project will commence upon the first month of operation.

Renewable Energy Class	System Size	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh)	Term of Service
Small-Scale Solar I, Host Owned	1 to 10 kW	41.35¢	15 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Host Owned	1 to 10 kW	37.75¢	20 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Third-Party Owned	1 to 10 kW	32.95¢	20 years
Small-Scale Solar II	11 to 25 kW	29.80¢	20 years

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Renewable Energy Class	System Size	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh)	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier I 5% increase	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier II 10% increase	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier I Third-Party Owned 2% increase	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier II Third-Party Owned 4% increase	Term of Service
Small-Scale Solar I, Host Owned	1 to 10 kW	37.65¢	39.53¢	41.42¢	n/a	n/a	15 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Host Owned	1 to 10 kW	33.45¢	35.12¢	36.80¢	n/a	n/a	20 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Third-Party Owned	1 to 10 kW	28.35¢	n/a	n/a	28.92¢	29.48¢	15 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Third-Party Owned	1 to 10 kW	24.70¢	n/a	n/a	25.19¢	25.69¢	20 years

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Renewable Energy Class	System Size	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh)	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier I 5% increase	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier II 10% increase	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier I Third-Party Owned 2% increase	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier II Third-Party Owned 4% increase	Term of Service
Small-Scale Solar II	11 to 25 kW	24.90¢	26.15¢	27.39¢	n/a	n/a	20 years
Small-Scale Solar II, Third-Party Owned	11 to 25 kW	24.90¢	n/a	n/a	25.40¢	25.90¢	20 years

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1. Introduction

This tariff (“Tariff”) describes the terms and conditions under which an Applicant for an eligible distributed generation project (“DG Project”) will receive funding pursuant to Chapter 26.6 of Title 39 of the Rhode Island General Laws (“Chapter 26.6”), which refers to the Renewable Energy Growth Program (“RE Growth Program”).

This Tariff will apply to an Applicant who has installed a DG Project at a Non-Residential Customer’s service location or another location that allows for interconnection to the Company’s electric distribution system. For this purpose, a Non-Residential Customer (“Customer”) is defined as a customer receiving retail delivery service on any rate schedule other than the Company’s residential rate schedules (Basic Residential Rate A-16 and Low Income Rate A-60). This Tariff will also apply to a DG Project that does not provide On-Site Use to a Customer receiving retail delivery service from the Company. The Applicant and the Customer may be the same person, or different persons, subject to the eligibility standards in the Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules (“Rules”) and this Tariff.

This Tariff applies to the Applicant for a DG Project that is awarded a Certificate of Eligibility by the Commission or the Company pursuant to the Rules, and any successor Applicant for the Project. Upon being awarded a Certificate of Eligibility, a DG Project has a defined period to meet all requirements to receive compensation pursuant to this Tariff, which is: (1) 48 months for a Small DG Project using hydropower; (2) 36 months for a Project using anaerobic digestion; or (3) 24 months for a Project using another eligible technology.

The Applicant is required to update the Application information for the DG Project, including but not limited to information concerning: the DG Project owner, the Customer, the electric service account, and the recipient of Performance-Based Incentive Payments. Also, an Applicant may designate a successor Applicant for a DG Project under this Tariff with notice to the Company and without the consent of the Company. The Applicant may, but need not be, the same person or entity to pursue the interconnection of the DG Project with the Company’s electric distribution system. The Applicant maintains the obligation to ensure that all aspects of a DG Project comply with the terms of the Company’s Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules and this Tariff. Upon notice to the Company, the Applicant may transfer the compensation under this Tariff to another person or entity without the consent of the Company.

2. Definitions

The following words and terms shall have the following meanings when used in this Tariff:

- a. **Applicant:** the person or entity with legal authority to enroll the DG Project in the RE Growth program, and with the obligation to ensure that all aspects of the DG Project comply with the Rules.

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- b. Application: the RE Growth Program Enrollment short form application submitted by the Applicant.
- c. Board: the Distributed Generation Board established pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.2-10 and having expanded responsibilities under Chapter 26.6.
- d. Ceiling Price: the bidding price cap applicable to an enrollment in a given Renewable Energy Class and Program Year. Ceiling prices will be recommended by the Board and approved by the Commission.
- e. Certificate of Eligibility: written notice by the Company or Commission that a DG Project has been enrolled in the RE Growth Program. Upon an award of a Certificate of Eligibility, a DG Project will be entitled to receive Performance-Based Incentive Payments for a specified term, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the applicable Tariff supplement.
- f. Commercial-Scale Solar Project: a solar DG Project with a nameplate capacity greater than 250 kilowatts (250 kW) but less than 1 megawatt (1 MW).
- g. Commission: the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission.
- h. Company: The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid.
- i. Customer: a customer receiving retail delivery service pursuant to one of the Company's non-residential retail delivery service rate schedules and listed as the customer-of-record on the billing account associated with the service location.
- j. DG Project: a distinct installation of an electrical generation facility that is located in the Company's service territory, is connected to the Company's electric distribution system, and has a nameplate capacity no greater than five megawatts (5 MW) using eligible renewable energy resources as defined in R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26-5, including biogas created as a result of anaerobic digestion, but specifically excluding all other listed eligible biomass fuels.
- k. ISO-New England, Inc. ("ISO-NE"): the Independent System Operators of New England, Inc., established in accordance with the NEPOOL Agreement and applicable Federal Energy Regulatory Commission approvals, which is responsible for managing the bulk power generation and transmission systems in New England.
- l. Large DG Project: a DG Project with a nameplate capacity that exceeds the size of a Small DG Project in a given year, but is no greater than five megawatts (5 MW) nameplate capacity.
- m. Large-Scale Solar Project: a solar DG Project with a nameplate capacity of one megawatt (1 MW) or greater and up to and including five megawatts (5 MW).

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- n. **Medium-Scale Solar Project:** a solar DG Project with a nameplate capacity greater than 25 kilowatts (25 kW) and up to and including 250 kilowatts (250 kW).
- o. **Nameplate Capacity:** the maximum rated output or gross output of a DG Project. For a solar DG Project, it is the total rated power output of all the DG Project's panels, measured in direct current.
- p. **Office:** the Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources.
- q. **On-Site Use:** the amount of energy used at a Customer's service location during a billing period that may be delivered by the Company, or supplied by the DG Project, or both.
- r. **Output Certification:** certification provided by an independent engineer (licensed Professional Engineer) stating that construction of both the DG Project and the interconnection facilities is complete in all material respects, that the metering has been installed and tested, that the Nameplate Capacity is as on the Certificate of Eligibility, and that the DG Project is capable of producing at least 90% of the maximum hourly output specified on the Certificate of Eligibility.
- s. **Performance-Based Incentive:** either a standard or competitively bid price per kilowatt-hour ("kWh") that is applicable to the output of a DG Project when the Applicant has been awarded a Certificate of Eligibility, pursuant to the Rules.
- t. **Program Year:** a year beginning April 1 and ending March 31, unless otherwise approved by the Commission.
- u. **Renewable Energy Classes:** categories for different renewable energy technologies using eligible renewable energy resources as defined in R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26-5, including biogas created as a result of anaerobic digestion, but specifically excluding all other listed eligible biomass fuels specified in § 39-26-2(6).
- v. **Renewable Energy Certificate ("REC"):** an electronic record produced by the New England Power Pool Generation Information System ("NEPOOL-GIS") that identifies the relevant generation attributes of each megawatt-hour accounted for in the NEPOOL-GIS.
- w. **Small-Scale Solar Project:** a solar DG Project with a nameplate capacity of up to and including 25 kilowatts (25 kW).
- x. **Small DG Project:** either: (1) a Small-Scale Solar Project; (2) a Medium-Scale Solar Project; (3) a wind DG Project with a nameplate capacity of at least fifty kilowatts (50 kW) up to one and one-half megawatts (1.5 MW); or (4) a DG Project using renewable energy resources

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other than solar and wind, with a nameplate capacity to be determined by the Board, but no greater than one megawatt (1 MW).

- y. Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules: the rules governing the solicitation, enrollment, and award processes for the RE Growth Program for Non-Residential Customers, established pursuant to Chapter 26.6, and approved by the Commission.
- z. Station Service: energy used to operate auxiliary equipment and other load that is directly related to the production of energy by a DG Project.
- aa. SolarWise Program: an energy efficiency and solar program, which, pursuant to RI Gen Laws § 39-26.6-19, encourages the use of residential and non-residential solar photovoltaic equipment by offering extra incentives from the RE Growth Program when customers pursue greater energy efficiency savings through the Energy Efficiency Program Plan, which the Company files pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws. § 39-1-27.7.

3. Performance Guarantee Deposit

- a. No later than five (5) business days after a project is offered a Certificate of Eligibility, the Applicant shall submit by wire transfer a Performance Guarantee Deposit (“Deposit”) as identified on the Certificate of Eligibility. Upon confirmation of the receipt of the Deposit, the Company shall award the Certificate of Eligibility. Each Deposit shall be no less than \$500.00 and no greater than \$75,000.00. The Deposit shall be calculated as \$15.00 for Small DG Projects or \$25.00 for Large DG Projects, multiplied by the estimated RECs to be generated during the DG Project’s first year of operation.
- b. If the Company does not receive a Deposit by the date required, the Company may withdraw the Certificate of Eligibility offer and not proceed further with the Applicant in that enrollment.
- c. The Deposit shall be refunded to the Applicant during the first year of the DG Project’s operation, paid quarterly. In the event that the Applicant terminates the DG Project prior to operation, the Deposit will be forfeited.
- d. After receiving the Certificate of Eligibility, the Applicant must provide the Output Certification within: (1) 48 months for Small DG Projects using hydropower; (2) 36 months for anaerobic digestion; or (3) 24 months for all other DG Projects. If the Output Certification is not received within the specified timeframe, the Certificate of Eligibility will be voided and the Deposit will be forfeited.
- e. Once a DG Project has provided the Output Certification to National Grid, the project then has 90 days to meet all other requirements specified in Section 8(a) to receive payment pursuant to the Tariff.

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- f. An Applicant may elect, for any reason, to extend the DG Project deadline for providing the Output Certification by an additional six (6) months with no additional Deposit. After such initial six-month extension, the Applicant may elect, for any reason, to extend Output Certification deadline for an additional six-month period by posting an additional Deposit amount equal to one-half of the original Deposit amount. An Applicant shall not extend the deadline to provide the Output Certification by more than one (1) year in total. Prior to the expiration of the timeframe applicable to the Applicant's DG Project, as specified herein Section 3(d) or as extended as provided for by Section 3(f), the Applicant must notify the Company of its election to extend the DG Project deadline.
- g. If the Applicant is unable to provide the Output Certification within the timeframe specified in Section 3(d), or as extended pursuant to Section 3(f), because of non-completion of the necessary system modifications on the Company's side of the meter or any other interconnection delays that are beyond the reasonable control of the Applicant, the deadline for providing the Output Certification will be extended until such time as the DG Project has received approval from the Company to interconnect to the Company's distribution system and begin production, with no additional deposit required.
- h. If an act of God occurs within the timeframe allowed for providing the Output Certification, and as a direct result of the act of God, the DG Project is incapable of providing the Output Certification within the timeframe prescribed in this Tariff, the DG Project shall be terminated and the Deposit shall be refunded immediately.
- i. Small-Scale Solar Projects and Medium-Scale Solar Projects are not required to submit a Performance Guarantee Deposit or provide an Output Certification. In order to receive Performance-Based Incentive payments under this Tariff, such projects will have 24 months after being awarded a Certificate of Eligibility to achieve operation at expected availability and capacity and meet all other requirements under this Tariff.

4. Interconnection

- a. The interconnection of the DG Project with the Company's distribution system and any system modifications required by the Company shall be in accordance with the Standards for Connecting Distributed Generation and coordinated or delegated by the Applicant.
- b. Except for Small-Scale Solar Projects and Medium-Scale Solar Projects, all Applicants for DG Projects awarded a Certificate of Eligibility are required to submit quarterly reports to the Company and the Office reporting on the progress of construction. Failure to submit these reports may result in the loss of the Applicant's Certificate of Eligibility.

5. Project Segmentation

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- ii. The DG Projects use the same renewable energy resource, but they are: (1) electrically segregated; (2) separately metered; and (3) can demonstrate that 24 months have elapsed between the commencement of operation for one DG Project and the commencement of construction of any additional DG Project.
- iii. DG Projects installed on contiguous parcels will not be considered segmented if they serve different Non-Residential Customers and both Customers receive bill credits under Option 2 as defined in Section 8.c.

If the Company determines that a DG Project is ineligible to enroll in the RE Growth Program due to project segmentation, such project may be eligible for compensation pursuant to the Net Metering Provision or through other energy market participation. Rhode Island law requires eligible Projects must not already be operating to participate in the RE Growth Program, therefore any Project receiving compensation pursuant to the Net Metering Provision is not eligible for the RE Growth Program. Furthermore, if an Applicant is awarded a Certificate of Eligibility for a DG Project and is receiving Performance-Based Incentive Payments pursuant to this Tariff it will not receive compensation pursuant to the Net Metering Provision for the same DG Project during the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement.

6. Metering

- a. A Company-owned interval meter must be installed on all DG Projects that are enrolled in the RE Growth Program for the purpose of measuring and reporting the output of the DG Project. In the event that there is an existing service location with an existing meter, the meter for the DG Project shall be wired in parallel with, and be adjacent to, the existing service meter. In the event an existing service meter is present, the existing service meter will be exchanged for an interval meter by the Company at the Applicant's expense.
- b. For Medium-Scale Solar Projects, Commercial-Scale Solar Projects, Large-Scale Solar Projects, and DG Projects of other eligible technologies, the Applicant is responsible for the cost of a revenue-quality interval meter and associated metering equipment, including

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required remote communication for measuring and reporting the output of the DG Project as well as any existing service meter. An Applicant may elect to supply the meter and associated equipment provided that it conforms to the Company's metering standards and the Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers ("Division") Rules for Prescribing Standards for Electric Utilities, as may be amended from time to time. At the request of the Applicant, the Company will provide the required interval meter and associated equipment, subject to the Company having such equipment available and the Applicant reimbursing the Company for its cost.

- c. The Company must be provided with adequate access to read the meter(s), and to install, repair, maintain and replace the meter(s), if applicable.

7. Energy, Capacity, Renewable Energy Certificates and Other Environmental Attributes

- a. Prior to receiving compensation pursuant to Section 8 of this Tariff, an Applicant, at its own cost, must obtain Commission certification of a DG Project as an Eligible Renewable Energy Resource pursuant to the Commission's Rules and Regulations Governing the Implementation of a Renewable Energy Standard. In addition, the Applicant is required to cooperate with the Company to qualify the DG Project under the renewable portfolio standard or similar law and/or regulation of New York, Massachusetts, and/or one or more New England states and/or any federal renewable energy standard.
- b. For the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement, the Company shall have the irrevocable rights and title to the following products produced by the DG Project: (1) RECs; (2) energy; and (3) any other environmental attributes or market products associated with the sale of energy or energy services produced by the DG Project, provided, however, that it shall be the Company's choice to acquire the capacity of the DG Project at any time after it is awarded a Certificate of Eligibility by the Commission or the Company pursuant to the Rules. Environmental attributes shall include any and all generation attributes or energy services established by regional, state, federal, or international law, rule, regulation or competitive market or business method that are attributable, now or in the future, to the output produced by the DG Project during the term of service specified on the applicable Tariff supplement.

- (1) RECs: RECs must be delivered to the Company's appropriate NEPOOL-GIS account. This will be accomplished through registration of the DG Project with the NEPOOL-GIS. If requested by the Company, Applicant will provide approvals or assignments, as necessary, to facilitate the DG Project's participation in asset aggregation or other model of asset registration and reporting.

Small-Scale Solar Projects shall provide all necessary information to, and cooperate with, the Company to enable the Company to obtain the appropriate

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asset identification for reporting generation to the NEPOOL-GIS for the creation of RECs and direct all RECs from the DG Project to the Company's appropriate NEPOOL-GIS account. The Applicant will provide approvals or assignments, including, but not limited to, completing the Renewable Energy Certificate Assignment and Aggregation Form, to facilitate the DG Project's participation in asset aggregation or other model of asset registration and reporting.

- (2) Energy: Except for Small-Scale Solar Projects, energy must be delivered to the Company in the Company's ISO-NE load zone at the delivery node associated with the DG Project. As requested by the Company or the ISO-NE, Applicant will provide all necessary information as well as follow all requirements for all applicable market rules needed to set up the necessary generation asset.
- (3) Capacity: The Company may qualify the DG Project as an Existing Capacity Resource in the Forward Capacity Market (FCM) after the Commercial Operation Date to participate in the FCM, as determined by the Company, in consultation with the Division. As requested by the Company or the ISO-NE, Applicant will provide all necessary information as well as follow all requirements for all applicable market rules needed to set up the necessary capacity asset. Applicants are required to take commercially reasonable actions to maximize performance against any FCM Capacity Supply Obligations.

8. Performance-Based Incentive Payment

a. Eligibility

Upon receipt of a Certificate of Eligibility, the Applicant is entitled to the Performance-Based Incentive Payment for the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement, provided that the Applicant has complied with all other requirements of this Tariff and the Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules.

As a condition for receiving monthly payments pursuant to Section 9c, the Applicant must provide confirmation of the following: 1) the Company's written authority to interconnect to its electric distribution system and Applicant's payment of all amounts due; 2) Commission certification of the DG Project as an Eligible Renewable Energy Resource; 3) registration of the DG Project with the ISO-NE and NEPOOL GIS; and 4) except for small-scale and medium-scale solar, the Output Certification. Small-Scale Solar Projects can demonstrate completion of items 2 and 3 by the completion of the Renewable Energy Certificate Assignment and Aggregation Form. If an Applicant or Customer is no longer in good standing with regard to payment plans or agreements, if applicable, and other obligations to the Company (including but not limited to meeting all obligations under an interconnection service agreement), the Company may withhold payments under this Tariff. In addition, the Customer must

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remain in good standing with regard to the electric service account receiving Bill Credits pursuant to this tariff.

b. Performance-Based Incentive

The Performance-Based Incentive will be a fixed per-kWh price for the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement.

The Performance-Based Incentive for Small-Scale Solar and Medium-Scale Solar shall be a standard Performance-Based Incentive that is recommended by the Board and approved by the Commission. The Performance-Based Incentive for other DG Projects shall be determined through competitive bidding.

Zonal Incentive: In addition to the Performance-Based Incentive, the Company may propose, and the Commission may approve, a zonal incentive, which is in addition to the Performance-Based Incentive for DG Projects that are: 1) located in designated geographic areas; or 2) comply with other specified conditions. Any Zonal Incentive shall be reflected in the applicable Tariff supplement.

c. Performance Based Incentive Payment

The Performance-Based Incentive Payment will be the fixed per-kWh Performance-Based Incentive, plus any Zonal Incentive where applicable, applied to the measured kilowatt-hours (kWh) produced by the DG Project, net of any Station Service.

Before a DG Project begins to operate, an Applicant must notify the Company of the manner by which it will be compensated for its output under one of the two options below. The Applicant may select Option 2 only if the DG Project can be configured to serve on-site load and the DG Project is reasonably designed and sized to produce electricity at an annual level equal to or less than 1) the Customer's On-Site Use as measured over the previous three (3) years at the electric service account located at the Customer's service location; 2) the annualized On-Site Use over the period of service to the Customer's service location if such service has been provided for less than three years; or 3) a reasonable estimate of annual On-Site Use if the Project is located at a new service location. The Applicant may change the selection only one time after the DG Project begins to operate provided that the Applicant gives the Company no less than 60 days' notice to implement the change. Additional changes to the method of compensation may be allowed at the discretion of the Company. The options are:

1. Option 1: Direct payment of the entire Performance-Based Incentive Payment in the form of a check or such other payment method that is mutually agreed upon by the Company and the Applicant; or

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2. Option 2: A combination of direct payment and a Customer bill credit, in which the value of the bill credit will be based upon the On-Site Use, up to, but not exceeding, the metered generation of the DG Project.

If a DG Project selects Option 2, the Performance-Based Incentive Payment shall be provided as follows:

The Customer's bill will be based upon the On-Site Use, the retail delivery service charges and the Standard Offer Service or Non-Regulated Power Producer charges in effect during the billing period and which apply to the Customer's retail delivery service rate class. The Company shall apply a Bill Credit, as calculated below, to offset the Customer's bill. The Bill Credit will appear as a separate line item on the Customer's bill.

$$BC = OSU \text{ (kWh)} \times (DCHG + SOS)$$

Where:

BC = Bill Credit

OSU (kWh) = On-Site Use kWh at the lesser of 1) the On-Site Use measured in kWh per month, or 2) the DG Project output measured in kWh per month.

DCHG = the sum of all retail delivery service per kWh charges applicable to the Customer's retail delivery service rate class per RIPUC No. 2095, Summary of Retail Delivery Rates, as may be amended from time to time.

SOS = the Standard Offer Service charge applicable to the Customer's retail delivery service rate class per RIPUC No. 2096, Summary of Standard Offer Service Rates, as may be amended from time to time.

The remaining amount of the Performance-Based Incentive Payment will be paid in the form a check (or another agreed-upon means) to the recipient as identified on the Application. The Customer will be responsible for paying any balance due on the electric bill in accordance with the Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service.

If the Bill Credit in a given month exceeds the Performance-Based Incentive Payment, the Customer shall receive the full amount of the Bill Credit, which will not exceed the total of the per kWh delivery service charges and applicable Standard Offer Service charges, excluding the customer charge and any applicable taxes. There will be no additional amounts related to the calculation of the Performance-Based Incentive Payment charged or credited to the Customer or the recipient identified on the Application.

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Only one billing account will be eligible to receive Bill Credits from each DG Project pursuant to this provision.

d. SolarWise Program

Applicants who have been approved as qualifying for a SolarWise Bonus Award are eligible to receive SolarWise Bonus payments. The PBI payments pursuant to Section 8.c of this Tariff will be adjusted to reflect the percentage increase applicable to the SolarWise Bonus Tier indicated on the Applicant's SolarWise Approval and Certificate of Eligibility.

Payments under the appropriate SolarWise Bonus Tier will be made pursuant to Option 2 described above. Bill credits will be applied to the billing account of the customer that received the energy efficiency audit and must be located at the same premise at which the solar DG Project is installed. All solar PV systems eligible for SolarWise Bonus Award levels must be sized such that the maximum annual electric (kWh) output is not greater than the 3-year historic annual average electric (kWh) usage of the customer at that location minus the estimated annual electric energy (kWh) savings from the realized or committed measures on their SolarWise application. Systems can also be sized to produce less than the annual usage limit. The use of Excluded Technologies can adjust these calculations.

Example: If a residential customer used an average of 10,000 kWh per year over the previous three years, and implemented energy savings of 2,000 kWh per year, the resulting SolarWise eligible system would be sized to produce no more than a maximum of 8,000 kWh in the course of a year. The maximum size of the customer's solar PV system (using a capacity factor of 14% for this example) would then decrease from 8.15 kW DC to 6.52 kW DC.

If a customer application included Excluded Technologies Adjustments, the system may be sized to include generation sufficient to power the eligible "Excluded Technologies." For example, if the customer example above also provided evidence of an electric vehicle in possession at the time of application that would consume 2,000 kWh per year, the eligible system size would increase to 8.15 kW, in order to generate 10,000 kWh per year. All of this production would be eligible for the SolarWise Bonus Awards.

The Company reserves the right to audit customers for compliance with commitments made to qualify for SolarWise Bonus Payments. If the requisite energy efficiency measures are not complete within twelve (12) months of the SolarWise application approval, the Company may withdraw the Bonus Payment approval and the Tariff payments will revert to the applicable standard PBI without the SolarWise Bonus payment.

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9. Other Company Tariff Requirements

- a. The Company will provide the Customer with retail delivery service under the applicable retail delivery service tariff and the Company's Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service.
- b. The Applicant is required to comply with Company's Standards for Connecting Distributed Generation.
- c. To be eligible to receive Renewable Net Metering Credits or excess Renewable Net Metering Credits pursuant to the Company's Net Metering Provision following the termination of the Customer's participation in the RE Growth Program, a DG Project and a Customer receiving credits from such a facility must comply with the applicable provisions of the Company's Net Metering Provision.
- d. The Company's recovery of costs incurred to implement and administer the RE Growth Program is pursuant to the Renewable Energy Growth Program Cost Recovery Provision.

10. Dispute Resolution

If any dispute arises between the Company and either the Applicant or the Customer, the dispute shall be brought before the Commission for resolution. Such disputes may include but are not limited to those concerning the Rules, terms, conditions, rights, responsibilities, the termination of the Tariff or Tariff supplement, or the performance of the Applicant, the Customer, or the Company.

11. Termination Provisions

The Applicant and the Customer shall comply with the provision of this Tariff through the end of the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement. The Applicant and the Customer may not terminate their obligations under this Tariff unless and until the Company consents to such termination. The Company will not unreasonably delay or withhold its consent to an Applicant's request to terminate if the Applicant cannot fulfill the obligations because of an event or circumstance that is beyond the Applicant's reasonable control and for which the Applicant could not prevent or provide against by using commercially reasonable efforts.

Only the DG Project described on the Certificate of Eligibility is eligible to participate under this Tariff. In no event shall an Applicant expand a DG Project's nameplate capacity beyond what is allowed by the Certificate of Eligibility. If a DG Project exceeds the nameplate capacity allowed by the Certificate of Eligibility, or the Company determines that a Customer or Applicant has violated the terms and conditions of this Tariff, the Company may, after notifying the Customer or Applicant in writing of such non-compliance and providing the Customer or Applicant a reasonable period to remedy such non-compliance and the violation persists, request the Commission to review the non-compliance and determine appropriate action, which may include requiring the Customer or Applicant to comply with

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the applicable provision being violated or revoking the Customer's or Applicant's Certificate of Eligibility.

12. **Statutory Authority**

This Tariff is filed in compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws. § 39-26.6-10. All revisions to the Tariff will be filed annually by November 15. Tariff supplements will be filed annually and following each scheduled RE Growth Program enrollment, as necessary. This Tariff and its supplements are subject to review, approval, and the exclusive jurisdiction of the Commission.

Effective Date: April 1, 2016

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Performance-Based Incentives and associated Performance-Based Incentive Payment shall remain in effect during the term of service noted below in accordance with R.I.G.L. § 39-26.6-20.

Term of Service represents the period of time during which the DG Project earns Performance-Based Incentive Payments. The billing month during which Performance-Based Incentive Payments begin will be specific to each individual DG Facility, and the Term of Service for a particular DG Facility will commence upon the first month of operation.

Renewable Energy Class	System Size	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance –Based Incentive (per kWh)	Term of Service
Small-Scale Solar I, Host Owned	1 to 10 kW	41.35¢	15 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Host Owned	1 to 10 kW	37.75¢	20 years
Small-Scale Solar I Third-Party Owned	1 to 10 kW	32.95¢	20 years
Small-Scale Solar II	11 to 25 kW	29.80¢	20 years
Medium-Scale Solar	26 to 250 kW	24.40¢	20 years

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Renewable Energy Class	Ceiling Price	Enrollment Date	Applicant Name	DG Facility Address	Nameplate Capacity (MW)	Performance Incentive (per kWh)	Term of Service
Commercial-Scale Solar	20.95¢						20 years
Large-Scale Solar	16.70¢						20 years
Wind I (1.5MW to 2.99MW) with Investment Tax Credit	18.40¢						20 years
Wind I (1.5MW to 2.99MW) with Production Tax Credit	19.85¢						20 years
Wind I (1.5MW to 2.99MW) with No Federal Tax Incentives	22.75¢						20 years
Wind II (3.0MW to 5.0MW) with Investment Tax Credit	18.20¢						20 years
Wind II (3.0MW to 5.0MW) with Production Tax Credit	19.45¢						20 years

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Wind II (3.0MW to 5.0MW) with No Federal Tax Incentives	22.35¢						20 years
Anaerobic Digestion (150kW to 1,000kW) with Production Tax Credit	20.20¢						20 years
Anaerobic Digestion (150kW to 1,000kW) with No Federal Tax Incentives	20.60¢						20 years
Small-Scale Hydropower I (10kW to 250kW) with Production Tax Credit	19.80¢						20 years
Small-Scale Hydropower I (10kW to 250kW) with No Federal Tax Incentives	21.35¢						20 years
Small-Scale Hydropower II (251kW to 1,000kW) with Production Tax Credit	18.55¢						20 years
Small-Scale Hydropower II (251kW to 1,000kW) with No Federal Tax Incentives	20.10¢						20 years

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Term of Service represents the period of time during which the DG Project earns Performance-Based Incentive Payments. The billing month during which Performance-Based Incentive Payments begin will be specific to each individual DG Project, and the Term of Service for a particular DG Project will commence upon the first month of operation.

Renewable Energy Class	System Size	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh)	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier I 5% increase	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier II 10% increase	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier I Third-Party Owned 2% increase	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier II Third-Party Owned 4% increase	Term of Service
Small-Scale Solar I, Host Owned	1 to 10 kW	37.65¢	39.53¢	41.42¢	n/a	n/a	15 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Host Owned	1 to 10 kW	33.45¢	35.12¢	36.80¢	n/a	n/a	20 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Third-Party Owned	1 to 10 kW	28.35¢	n/a	n/a	28.92¢	29.48¢	15 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Third-Party Owned	1 to 10 kW	24.70¢	n/a	n/a	25.19¢	25.69¢	20 years
Small-Scale Solar II	11 to 25 kW	24.90¢	26.15¢	27.39¢	n/a	n/a	20 years

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Renewable Energy Class	System Size	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh)	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier I 5% increase	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier II 10% increase	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier I Third-Party Owned 2% increase	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier II Third-Party Owned 4% increase	Term of Service
Small-Scale Solar II, Third-Party Owned	11 to 25 kW	24.90¢	n/a	n/a	25.40¢	25.90¢	20 years
Medium-Scale Solar (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	26 to 250 kW	22.55¢	23.68¢	24.81¢	n/a	n/a	20 years

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Renewable Energy Class	Ceiling Price (per kWh)	Enrollment Date	Applicant Name	DG Facility Address	Nameplate Capacity (MW)	Performance Incentive (per kWh)	Term of Service
Commercial-Scale Solar (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	19.30¢						20 years
Large-Scale Solar (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	15.10¢						20 years
Wind I (1.5MW to 2.99MW) (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	18.75¢						20 years
Wind II (3.0MW to 5.0MW, 2-turbine) (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	18.00¢						20 years
Wind III (3.0MW to 5.0MW, 3-turbine) (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	17.40¢						20 years

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Anaerobic Digestion I (150kW to 500 kW) (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	20.00¢						20 years
Anaerobic Digestion II (501kW to 1,000 kW) (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	20.00¢						20 years
Small-Scale Hydropower I (10kW to 250kW) (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	18.65¢						20 years
Small-Scale Hydropower II (251kW to 1,000kW) (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	17.45¢						20 years

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1. **Introduction**

This tariff (“Tariff”) describes the terms and conditions under which an Applicant for an eligible distributed generation project (“DG Project”) will receive funding pursuant to Chapter 26.6 of Title 39 of the Rhode Island General Laws (“Chapter 26.6”), which refers to the Renewable Energy Growth Program (“RE Growth Program”).

This Tariff will apply to an Applicant who has installed a DG Project at a Non-Residential Customer’s service location or another location that allows for interconnection to the Company’s electric distribution system. For this purpose, a Non-Residential Customer (“Customer”) is defined as a customer receiving retail delivery service on any rate schedule other than the Company’s residential rate schedules (Basic Residential Rate A-16 and Low Income Rate A-60). This Tariff will also apply to a DG Project that does not provide On-Site Use to a Customer receiving retail delivery service from the Company. The Applicant and the Customer may be the same person, or different persons, subject to the eligibility standards in the Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules (“Rules”) and this Tariff.

This Tariff applies to the Applicant for a DG Project that is awarded a Certificate of Eligibility by the Commission or the Company pursuant to the Rules, and any successor Applicant for the Project. Upon being awarded a Certificate of Eligibility, a DG Project has a defined period to meet all requirements to receive compensation pursuant to this Tariff, which is: (1) 48 months for a Small DG Project using hydropower; (2) 36 months for a Project using anaerobic digestion; or (3) 24 months for a Project using another eligible technology.

The Applicant is required to update the Application information for the DG Project, including but not limited to information concerning: the DG Project owner, the Customer, the electric service account, and the recipient of Performance-Based Incentive Payments. Also, an Applicant may designate a successor Applicant for a DG Project under this Tariff with notice to the Company and without the consent of the Company. The Applicant may, but need not be, the same person or entity to pursue the interconnection of the DG Project with the Company’s electric distribution system. The Applicant maintains the obligation to ensure that all aspects of a DG Project comply with the terms of the Company’s Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules and this Tariff. Upon notice to the Company, the Applicant may transfer the compensation under this Tariff to another person or entity without the consent of the Company.

2. **Definitions**

The following words and terms shall have the following meanings when used in this Tariff:

- a. **Applicant:** the person or entity with legal authority to enroll the DG Project in the RE Growth program, and with the obligation to ensure that all aspects of the DG Project comply with the Rules.

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- b. Application: the RE Growth Program Enrollment short form application submitted by the Applicant.
- c. Board: the Distributed Generation Board established pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.2-10 and having expanded responsibilities under Chapter 26.6.
- d. Ceiling Price: the bidding price cap applicable to an enrollment in a given Renewable Energy Class and Program Year. Ceiling prices will be recommended by the Board and approved by the Commission.
- e. Certificate of Eligibility: written notice by the Company or Commission that a DG Project has been enrolled in the RE Growth Program. Upon an award of a Certificate of Eligibility, a DG Project will be entitled to receive Performance-Based Incentive Payments for a specified term, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the applicable Tariff supplement.
- f. Commercial-Scale Solar Project: a solar DG Project with a nameplate capacity greater than 250 kilowatts (250 kW) but less than 1 megawatt (1 MW).
- g. Commission: the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission.
- h. Company: The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid.
- i. Customer: a customer receiving retail delivery service pursuant to one of the Company's non-residential retail delivery service rate schedules and listed as the customer-of-record on the billing account associated with the service location.
- j. DG Project: a distinct installation of an electrical generation facility that is located in the Company's service territory, is connected to the Company's electric distribution system, and has a nameplate capacity no greater than five megawatts (5 MW) using eligible renewable energy resources as defined in R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26-5, including biogas created as a result of anaerobic digestion, but specifically excluding all other listed eligible biomass fuels.
- k. ISO-New England, Inc. ("ISO-NE"): the Independent System Operators of New England, Inc., established in accordance with the NEPOOL Agreement and applicable Federal Energy Regulatory Commission approvals, which is responsible for managing the bulk power generation and transmission systems in New England.
- l. Large DG Project: a DG Project with a nameplate capacity that exceeds the size of a Small DG Project in a given year, but is no greater than five megawatts (5 MW) nameplate capacity.
- m. Large-Scale Solar Project: a solar DG Project with a nameplate capacity of one megawatt (1 MW) or greater and up to and including five megawatts (5 MW).

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- n. Medium-Scale Solar Project: a solar DG Project with a nameplate capacity greater than 25 kilowatts (25 kW) and up to and including 250 kilowatts (250 kW).
- o. Nameplate Capacity: the maximum rated output or gross output of a DG Project. For a solar DG Project, it is the total rated power output of all the DG Project's panels, measured in direct current.
- p. Office: the Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources.
- q. On-Site Use: the amount of energy used at a Customer's service location during a billing period that may be delivered by the Company, or supplied by the DG Project, or both.
- r. Output Certification: certification provided by an independent engineer (licensed Professional Engineer) stating that construction of both the DG Project and the interconnection facilities is complete in all material respects, that the metering has been installed and tested, that the Nameplate Capacity is as on the Certificate of Eligibility, and that the DG Project is capable of producing at least 90% of the maximum hourly output specified on the Certificate of Eligibility.
- s. Performance-Based Incentive: either a standard or competitively bid price per kilowatt-hour ("kWh") that is applicable to the output of a DG Project when the Applicant has been awarded a Certificate of Eligibility, pursuant to the Rules.
- t. Program Year: a year beginning April 1 and ending March 31, unless otherwise approved by the Commission.
- u. Renewable Energy Classes: categories for different renewable energy technologies using eligible renewable energy resources as defined in R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26-5, including biogas created as a result of anaerobic digestion, but specifically excluding all other listed eligible biomass fuels specified in § 39-26-2(6).
- v. Renewable Energy Certificate ("REC"): an electronic record produced by the New England Power Pool Generation Information System ("NEPOOL-GIS") that identifies the relevant generation attributes of each megawatt-hour accounted for in the NEPOOL-GIS.
- w. Small-Scale Solar Project: a solar DG Project with a nameplate capacity of up to and including 25 kilowatts (25 kW).
- x. Small DG Project: either: (1) a Small-Scale Solar Project; (2) a Medium-Scale Solar Project; (3) a wind DG Project with a nameplate capacity of at least fifty kilowatts (50 kW) up to one and one-half megawatts (1.5 MW); or (4) a DG Project using renewable energy resources

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other than solar and wind, with a nameplate capacity to be determined by the Board, but no greater than one megawatt (1 MW).

- y. Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules: the rules governing the solicitation, enrollment, and award processes for the RE Growth Program for Non-Residential Customers, established pursuant to Chapter 26.6, and approved by the Commission.
- z. Station Service: energy used to operate auxiliary equipment and other load that is directly related to the production of energy by a DG Project.
- aa. SolarWise Program: an energy efficiency and solar program, which, pursuant to RI Gen Laws § 39-26.6-19, encourages the use of residential and non-residential solar photovoltaic equipment by offering extra incentives from the RE Growth Program when customers pursue greater energy efficiency savings through the Energy Efficiency Program Plan, which the Company files pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws. § 39-1-27.7.

3. **Performance Guarantee Deposit**

- a. No later than five (5) business days after a project is offered a Certificate of Eligibility, the Applicant shall submit by wire transfer a Performance Guarantee Deposit (“Deposit”) as identified on the Certificate of Eligibility. Upon confirmation of the receipt of the Deposit, the Company shall award the Certificate of Eligibility. Each Deposit shall be no less than \$500.00 and no greater than \$75,000.00. The Deposit shall be calculated as \$15.00 for Small DG Projects or \$25.00 for Large DG Projects, multiplied by the estimated RECs to be generated during the DG Project’s first year of operation.
- b. If the Company does not receive a Deposit by the date required, the Company may withdraw the Certificate of Eligibility offer and not proceed further with the Applicant in that enrollment.
- c. The Deposit shall be refunded to the Applicant during the first year of the DG Project’s operation, paid quarterly. In the event that the Applicant terminates the DG Project prior to operation, the Deposit will be forfeited.
- d. After receiving the Certificate of Eligibility, the Applicant must provide the Output Certification within: (1) 48 months for Small DG Projects using hydropower; (2) 36 months for anaerobic digestion; or (3) 24 months for all other DG Projects. If the Output Certification is not received within the specified timeframe, the Certificate of Eligibility will be voided and the Deposit will be forfeited.
- e. Once a DG Project has provided the Output Certification to National Grid, the project then has 90 days to meet all other requirements specified in Section 8(a) to receive payment pursuant to the Tariff.

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- f. An Applicant may elect, for any reason, to extend the DG Project deadline for providing the Output Certification by an additional six (6) months with no additional Deposit. After such initial six-month extension, the Applicant may elect, for any reason, to extend Output Certification deadline for an additional six-month period by posting an additional Deposit amount equal to one-half of the original Deposit amount. An Applicant shall not extend the deadline to provide the Output Certification by more than one (1) year in total. Prior to the expiration of the timeframe applicable to the Applicant's DG Project, as specified herein Section 3(d) or as extended as provided for by Section 3(f), the Applicant must notify the Company of its election to extend the DG Project deadline.
- g. If the Applicant is unable to provide the Output Certification within the timeframe specified in Section 3(d), or as extended pursuant to Section 3(f), because of non-completion of the necessary system modifications on the Company's side of the meter or any other interconnection delays that are beyond the reasonable control of the Applicant, the deadline for providing the Output Certification will be extended until such time as the DG Project has received approval from the Company to interconnect to the Company's distribution system and begin production, with no additional deposit required.
- h. If an act of God occurs within the timeframe allowed for providing the Output Certification, and as a direct result of the act of God, the DG Project is incapable of providing the Output Certification within the timeframe prescribed in this Tariff, the DG Project shall be terminated and the Deposit shall be refunded immediately.
- i. Small-Scale Solar Projects and Medium-Scale Solar Projects are not required to submit a Performance Guarantee Deposit or provide an Output Certification. In order to receive Performance-Based Incentive payments under this Tariff, such projects will have 24 months after being awarded a Certificate of Eligibility to achieve operation at expected availability and capacity and meet all other requirements under this Tariff.

4. **Interconnection**

- a. The interconnection of the DG Project with the Company's distribution system and any system modifications required by the Company shall be in accordance with the Standards for Connecting Distributed Generation and coordinated or delegated by the Applicant.
- b. Except for Small-Scale Solar Projects and Medium-Scale Solar Projects, all Applicants for DG Projects awarded a Certificate of Eligibility are required to submit quarterly reports to the Company and the Office reporting on the progress of construction. Failure to submit these reports may result in the loss of the Applicant's Certificate of Eligibility.

5. **Project Segmentation**

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Rhode Island law prohibits project segmentation in the RE Growth Program. In no case may a project developer be allowed to segment a distributed generation project on the same parcel or contiguous parcels into smaller sized projects in order to fall under a smaller size project classification. Subject to the exceptions below, projects proposed by a developer on the same parcel or contiguous parcels will be presumed to have been segmented and only one of the projects will be eligible for a Certificate of Eligibility. An Applicant may appeal the Company's decision to the Commission.

Before making its determination, the Company will look for one of the following exceptions to the prohibition on project segmentation:

- i. The DG Projects use different renewable energy resources; or
- ii. The DG Projects use the same renewable energy resource, but they are: (1) electrically segregated; (2) separately metered; and (3) can demonstrate that 24 months have elapsed between the commencement of operation for one DG Project and the commencement of construction of any additional DG Project.
- iii. DG Projects installed on contiguous parcels will not be considered segmented if they serve different Non-Residential Customers and both Customers receive bill credits under Option 2 as defined in Section 8.c.

If the Company determines that a DG Project is ineligible to enroll in the RE Growth Program due to project segmentation, such project may be eligible for compensation pursuant to the Net Metering Provision or through other energy market participation. Rhode Island law requires eligible Projects must not already be operating to participate in the RE Growth Program, therefore any Project receiving compensation pursuant to the Net Metering Provision is not eligible for the RE Growth Program. Furthermore, if an Applicant is awarded a Certificate of Eligibility for a DG Project and is receiving Performance-Based Incentive Payments pursuant to this Tariff it will not receive compensation pursuant to the Net Metering Provision for the same DG Project during the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement.

6. Metering

- a. A Company-owned interval meter must be installed on all DG Projects that are enrolled in the RE Growth Program for the purpose of measuring and reporting the output of the DG Project. In the event that there is an existing service location with an existing meter, the meter for the DG Project shall be wired in parallel with, and be adjacent to, the existing service meter. In the event an existing service meter is present, the existing service meter will be exchanged for an interval meter by the Company at the Applicant's expense.
- b. For Medium-Scale Solar Projects, Commercial-Scale Solar Projects, Large-Scale Solar Projects, and DG Projects of other eligible technologies, the Applicant is responsible for the cost of a revenue-quality interval meter and associated metering equipment, including

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required remote communication for measuring and reporting the output of the DG Project as well as any existing service meter. An Applicant may elect to supply the meter and associated equipment provided that it conforms to the Company's metering standards and the Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers ("Division") Rules for Prescribing Standards for Electric Utilities, as may be amended from time to time. At the request of the Applicant, the Company will provide the required interval meter and associated equipment, subject to the Company having such equipment available and the Applicant reimbursing the Company for its cost.

- c. The Company must be provided with adequate access to read the meter(s), and to install, repair, maintain and replace the meter(s), if applicable.

7. Energy, Capacity, Renewable Energy Certificates and Other Environmental Attributes

- a. Prior to receiving compensation pursuant to Section 8 of this Tariff, an Applicant, at its own cost, must obtain Commission certification of a DG Project as an Eligible Renewable Energy Resource pursuant to the Commission's Rules and Regulations Governing the Implementation of a Renewable Energy Standard. In addition, the Applicant is required to cooperate with the Company to qualify the DG Project under the renewable portfolio standard or similar law and/or regulation of New York, Massachusetts, and/or one or more New England states and/or any federal renewable energy standard.
- b. For the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement, the Company shall have the irrevocable rights and title to the following products produced by the DG Project: (1) RECs; (2) energy; and (3) any other environmental attributes or market products associated with the sale of energy or energy services produced by the DG Project, provided, however, that it shall be the Company's choice to acquire the capacity of the DG Project at any time after it is awarded a Certificate of Eligibility by the Commission or the Company pursuant to the Rules. Environmental attributes shall include any and all generation attributes or energy services established by regional, state, federal, or international law, rule, regulation or competitive market or business method that are attributable, now or in the future, to the output produced by the DG Project during the term of service specified on the applicable Tariff supplement.

- (1) RECs: RECs must be delivered to the Company's appropriate NEPOOL-GIS account. This will be accomplished through registration of the DG Project with the NEPOOL-GIS. If requested by the Company, Applicant will provide approvals or assignments, as necessary, to facilitate the DG Project's participation in asset aggregation or other model of asset registration and reporting.

Small-Scale Solar Projects shall provide all necessary information to, and cooperate with, the Company to enable the Company to obtain the appropriate

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asset identification for reporting generation to the NEPOOL-GIS for the creation of RECs and direct all RECs from the DG Project to the Company's appropriate NEPOOL-GIS account. The Applicant will provide approvals or assignments, including, but not limited to, completing the Renewable Energy Certificate Assignment and Aggregation Form, to facilitate the DG Project's participation in asset aggregation or other model of asset registration and reporting.

- (2) Energy: Except for Small-Scale Solar Projects, energy must be delivered to the Company in the Company's ISO-NE load zone at the delivery node associated with the DG Project. As requested by the Company or the ISO-NE, Applicant will provide all necessary information as well as follow all requirements for all applicable market rules needed to set up the necessary generation asset.
- (3) Capacity: The Company may qualify the DG Project as an Existing Capacity Resource in the Forward Capacity Market (FCM) after the Commercial Operation Date to participate in the FCM, as determined by the Company, in consultation with the Division. As requested by the Company or the ISO-NE, Applicant will provide all necessary information as well as follow all requirements for all applicable market rules needed to set up the necessary capacity asset. Applicants are required to take commercially reasonable actions to maximize performance against any FCM Capacity Supply Obligations.

8. Performance-Based Incentive Payment

a. Eligibility

Upon receipt of a Certificate of Eligibility, the Applicant is entitled to the Performance-Based Incentive Payment for the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement, provided that the Applicant has complied with all other requirements of this Tariff and the Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules.

As a condition for receiving monthly payments pursuant to Section 9c, the Applicant must provide confirmation of the following: 1) the Company's written authority to interconnect to its electric distribution system and Applicant's payment of all amounts due; 2) Commission certification of the DG Project as an Eligible Renewable Energy Resource; 3) registration of the DG Project with the ISO-NE and NEPOOL GIS; and 4) except for small-scale and medium-scale solar, the Output Certification. Small-Scale Solar Projects can demonstrate completion of items 2 and 3 by the completion of the Renewable Energy Certificate Assignment and Aggregation Form. If an Applicant or Customer is no longer in good standing with regard to payment plans or agreements, if applicable, and other obligations to the Company (including but not limited to meeting all obligations under an interconnection service agreement), the Company may withhold payments under this Tariff. In addition, the Customer must

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remain in good standing with regard to the electric service account receiving Bill Credits pursuant to this tariff.

b. Performance-Based Incentive

The Performance-Based Incentive will be a fixed per-kWh price for the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement.

The Performance-Based Incentive for Small-Scale Solar and Medium-Scale Solar shall be a standard Performance-Based Incentive that is recommended by the Board and approved by the Commission. The Performance-Based Incentive for other DG Projects shall be determined through competitive bidding.

Zonal Incentive: In addition to the Performance-Based Incentive, the Company may propose, and the Commission may approve, a zonal incentive, which is in addition to the Performance-Based Incentive for DG Projects that are: 1) located in designated geographic areas; or 2) comply with other specified conditions. Any Zonal Incentive shall be reflected in the applicable Tariff supplement.

c. Performance Based Incentive Payment

The Performance-Based Incentive Payment will be the fixed per-kWh Performance-Based Incentive, plus any Zonal Incentive where applicable, applied to the measured kilowatt-hours (kWh) produced by the DG Project, net of any Station Service.

Before a DG Project begins to operate, an Applicant must notify the Company of the manner by which it will be compensated for its output under one of the two options below. The Applicant may select Option 2 only if the DG Project can be configured to serve on-site load and the DG Project is reasonably designed and sized to produce electricity at an annual level equal to or less than 1) the Customer's On-Site Use as measured over the previous three (3) years at the electric service account located at the Customer's service location; 2) the annualized On-Site Use over the period of service to the Customer's service location if such service has been provided for less than three years; or 3) a reasonable estimate of annual On-Site Use if the Project is located at a new service location. The Applicant may change the selection only one time after the DG Project begins to operate provided that the Applicant gives the Company no less than 60 days' notice to implement the change. Additional changes to the method of compensation may be allowed at the discretion of the Company. The options are:

1. Option 1: Direct payment of the entire Performance-Based Incentive Payment in the form of a check or such other payment method that is mutually agreed upon by the Company and the Applicant; or

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2. Option 2: A combination of direct payment and a Customer bill credit, in which the value of the bill credit will be based upon the On-Site Use, up to, but not exceeding, the metered generation of the DG Project.

If a DG Project selects Option 2, the Performance-Based Incentive Payment shall be provided as follows:

The Customer's bill will be based upon the On-Site Use, the retail delivery service charges and the Standard Offer Service or Non-Regulated Power Producer charges in effect during the billing period and which apply to the Customer's retail delivery service rate class. The Company shall apply a Bill Credit, as calculated below, to offset the Customer's bill. The Bill Credit will appear as a separate line item on the Customer's bill.

$$BC = OSU \text{ (kWh)} \times (DCHG + SOS)$$

Where:

BC = Bill Credit

OSU (kWh) = On-Site Use kWh at the lesser of 1) the On-Site Use measured in kWh per month, or 2) the DG Project output measured in kWh per month.

DCHG = the sum of all retail delivery service per kWh charges applicable to the Customer's retail delivery service rate class per RIPUC No. 2095, Summary of Retail Delivery Rates, as may be amended from time to time.

SOS = the Standard Offer Service charge applicable to the Customer's retail delivery service rate class per RIPUC No. 2096, Summary of Standard Offer Service Rates, as may be amended from time to time.

The remaining amount of the Performance-Based Incentive Payment will be paid in the form a check (or another agreed-upon means) to the recipient as identified on the Application. The Customer will be responsible for paying any balance due on the electric bill in accordance with the Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service.

If the Bill Credit in a given month exceeds the Performance-Based Incentive Payment, the Customer shall receive the full amount of the Bill Credit, which will not exceed the total of the per kWh delivery service charges and applicable Standard Offer Service charges, excluding the customer charge and any applicable taxes. There will be no additional amounts related to the calculation of the Performance-Based Incentive Payment charged or credited to the Customer or the recipient identified on the Application.

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Only one billing account will be eligible to receive Bill Credits from each DG Project pursuant to this provision.

d. SolarWise Program

Applicants who have been approved as qualifying for a SolarWise Bonus Award are eligible to receive SolarWise Bonus payments. The PBI payments pursuant to Section 8.c of this Tariff will be adjusted to reflect the percentage increase applicable to the SolarWise Bonus Tier indicated on the Applicant's SolarWise Approval and Certificate of Eligibility.

Payments under the appropriate SolarWise Bonus Tier will be made pursuant to Option 2 described above. Bill credits will be applied to the billing account of the customer that received the energy efficiency audit and must be located at the same premise at which the solar DG Project is installed. All solar PV systems eligible for SolarWise Bonus Award levels must be sized such that the maximum annual electric (kWh) output is not greater than the 3-year historic annual average electric (kWh) usage of the customer at that location minus the estimated annual electric energy (kWh) savings from the realized or committed measures on their SolarWise application. Systems can also be sized to produce less than the annual usage limit. The use of Excluded Technologies can adjust these calculations.

Example: If a residential customer used an average of 10,000 kWh per year over the previous three years, and implemented energy savings of 2,000 kWh per year, the resulting SolarWise eligible system would be sized to produce no more than a maximum of 8,000 kWh in the course of a year. The maximum size of the customer's solar PV system (using a capacity factor of 14% for this example) would then decrease from 8.15 kW DC to 6.52 kW DC.

If a customer application included Excluded Technologies Adjustments, the system may be sized to include generation sufficient to power the eligible "Excluded Technologies." For example, if the customer example above also provided evidence of an electric vehicle in possession at the time of application that would consume 2,000 kWh per year, the eligible system size would increase to 8.15 kW, in order to generate 10,000 kWh per year. All of this production would be eligible for the SolarWise Bonus Awards.

The Company reserves the right to audit customers for compliance with commitments made to qualify for SolarWise Bonus Payments. If the requisite energy efficiency measures are not complete within twelve (12) months of the SolarWise application approval, the Company may withdraw the Bonus Payment approval and the Tariff payments will revert to the applicable standard PBI without the SolarWise Bonus payment.

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9. **Other Company Tariff Requirements**

- a. The Company will provide the Customer with retail delivery service under the applicable retail delivery service tariff and the Company's Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service.
- b. The Applicant is required to comply with Company's Standards for Connecting Distributed Generation.
- c. To be eligible to receive Renewable Net Metering Credits or excess Renewable Net Metering Credits pursuant to the Company's Net Metering Provision following the termination of the Customer's participation in the RE Growth Program, a DG Project and a Customer receiving credits from such a facility must comply with the applicable provisions of the Company's Net Metering Provision.
- d. The Company's recovery of costs incurred to implement and administer the RE Growth Program is pursuant to the Renewable Energy Growth Program Cost Recovery Provision.

10. **Dispute Resolution**

If any dispute arises between the Company and either the Applicant or the Customer, the dispute shall be brought before the Commission for resolution. Such disputes may include but are not limited to those concerning the Rules, terms, conditions, rights, responsibilities, the termination of the Tariff or Tariff supplement, or the performance of the Applicant, the Customer, or the Company.

11. **Termination Provisions**

The Applicant and the Customer shall comply with the provision of this Tariff through the end of the term specified in the applicable Tariff supplement. The Applicant and the Customer may not terminate their obligations under this Tariff unless and until the Company consents to such termination. The Company will not unreasonably delay or withhold its consent to an Applicant's request to terminate if the Applicant cannot fulfill the obligations because of an event or circumstance that is beyond the Applicant's reasonable control and for which the Applicant could not prevent or provide against by using commercially reasonable efforts.

Only the DG Project described on the Certificate of Eligibility is eligible to participate under this Tariff. In no event shall an Applicant expand a DG Project's nameplate capacity beyond what is allowed by the Certificate of Eligibility. If a DG Project exceeds the nameplate capacity allowed by the Certificate of Eligibility, or the Company determines that a Customer or Applicant has violated the terms and conditions of this Tariff, the Company may, after notifying the Customer or Applicant in writing of such non-compliance and providing the Customer or Applicant a reasonable period to remedy such non-compliance and the violation persists, request the Commission to review the non-compliance and determine appropriate action, which may include requiring the Customer or Applicant to comply with

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the applicable provision being violated or revoking the Customer's or Applicant's Certificate of Eligibility.

12. **Statutory Authority**

This Tariff is filed in compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws. § 39-26.6-10. All revisions to the Tariff will be filed annually by November 15. Tariff supplements will be filed annually and following each scheduled RE Growth Program enrollment, as necessary. This Tariff and its supplements are subject to review, approval, and the exclusive jurisdiction of the Commission.

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Performance-Based Incentives and associated Performance-Based Incentive Payment shall remain in effect during the term of service noted below in accordance with R.I.G.L. § 39-26.6-20.

Term of Service represents the period of time during which the DG Project earns Performance-Based Incentive Payments. The billing month during which Performance-Based Incentive Payments begin will be specific to each individual DG Facility, and the Term of Service for a particular DG Facility will commence upon the first month of operation.

Renewable Energy Class	System Size	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance –Based Incentive (per kWh)	Term of Service
Small-Scale Solar I, Host Owned	1 to 10 kW	41.35¢	15 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Host Owned	1 to 10 kW	37.75¢	20 years
Small-Scale Solar I Third-Party Owned	1 to 10 kW	32.95¢	20 years
Small-Scale Solar II	11 to 25 kW	29.80¢	20 years
Medium-Scale Solar	26 to 250 kW	24.40¢	20 years

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Renewable Energy Class	Ceiling Price	Enrollment Date	Applicant Name	DG Facility Address	Nameplate Capacity (MW)	Performance Incentive (per kWh)	Term of Service
Commercial-Scale Solar	20.95¢						20 years
Large-Scale Solar	16.70¢						20 years
Wind I (1.5MW to 2.99MW) with Investment Tax Credit	18.40¢						20 years
Wind I (1.5MW to 2.99MW) with Production Tax Credit	19.85¢						20 years
Wind I (1.5MW to 2.99MW) with No Federal Tax Incentives	22.75¢						20 years
Wind II (3.0MW to 5.0MW) with Investment Tax Credit	18.20¢						20 years
Wind II (3.0MW to 5.0MW) with Production Tax Credit	19.45¢						20 years

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Wind II (3.0MW to 5.0MW) with No Federal Tax Incentives	22.35¢						20 years
Anaerobic Digestion (150kW to 1,000kW) with Production Tax Credit	20.20¢						20 years
Anaerobic Digestion (150kW to 1,000kW) with No Federal Tax Incentives	20.60¢						20 years
Small-Scale Hydropower I (10kW to 250kW) with Production Tax Credit	19.80¢						20 years
Small-Scale Hydropower I (10kW to 250kW) with No Federal Tax Incentives	21.35¢						20 years
Small-Scale Hydropower II (251kW to 1,000kW) with Production Tax Credit	18.55¢						20 years
Small-Scale Hydropower II (251kW to 1,000kW) with No Federal Tax Incentives	20.10¢						20 years

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Renewable Energy Class	System Size	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh)	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier I 5% increase	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier II 10% increase	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier I Third-Party Owned 2% increase	Ceiling Price/Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier II Third-Party Owned 4% increase	Term of Service
Small-Scale Solar I, Host Owned	1 to 10 kW	37.65¢	39.53¢	41.42¢	n/a	n/a	15 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Host Owned	1 to 10 kW	33.45¢	35.12¢	36.80¢	n/a	n/a	20 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Third-Party Owned	1 to 10 kW	28.35¢	n/a	n/a	28.92¢	29.48¢	15 years
Small-Scale Solar I, Third-Party Owned	1 to 10 kW	24.70¢	n/a	n/a	25.19¢	25.69¢	20 years
Small-Scale Solar II	11 to 25 kW	24.90¢	26.15¢	27.39¢	n/a	n/a	20 years

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Renewable Energy Class	System Size	Ceiling Price/ Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh)	Ceiling Price/ Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier I 5% increase	Ceiling Price/ Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier II 10% increase	Ceiling Price/ Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier I Third-Party Owned 2% increase	Ceiling Price/ Standard Performance-Based Incentive (per kWh) with SolarWise Tier II Third-Party Owned 4% increase	Term of Service
Small-Scale Solar II, Third-Party Owned	11 to 25 kW	24.90¢	n/a	n/a	25.40¢	25.90¢	20 years
Medium-Scale Solar (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	26 to 250 kW	22.55¢	23.68¢	24.81¢	n/a	n/a	20 years

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Renewable Energy Class	Ceiling Price (per kWh)	Enrollment Date	Applicant Name	DG Facility Address	Nameplate Capacity (MW)	Performance Incentive (per kWh)	Term of Service
Commercial-Scale Solar (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	19.30¢						20 years
Large-Scale Solar (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	15.10¢						20 years
Wind I (1.5MW to 2.99MW) (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	18.75¢						20 years
Wind II (3.0MW to 5.0MW, 2-turbine) (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	18.00¢						20 years
Wind III (3.0MW to 5.0MW, 3-turbine)	17.40¢						20 years

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(including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)							
Anaerobic Digestion I (150kW to 500 kW) (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	20.00¢						20 years
Anaerobic Digestion II (501kW to 1,000 kW) (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	20.00¢						20 years
Small-Scale Hydropower I (10kW to 250kW) (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	18.65¢						20 years
Small-Scale Hydropower II (251kW to 1,000kW) (including ITC/PTC & Bonus Depreciation)	17.45¢						20 years



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Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules for Small-Scale Solar
Projects**

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I. Introduction and Overview

National Grid would like to welcome you to the Rhode Island Renewable Energy Growth Program (RE Growth Program). The RE Growth Program seeks to make it easy and attractive to install solar photovoltaic (PV) systems at the homes and businesses of National Grid's customers. An applicant (Applicant) to the RE Growth Program may be a solar developer or a National Grid customer.

Residential customers or their developers may apply for the RE Growth Program on a first-come, first-served basis. These solar systems will earn "bill credits" for the customer from the energy produced, and an incentive payment for any excess production.

Non-residential customers or their developers may also apply to the RE Growth Program on a first-come, first-served basis. These solar systems will have the option to receive the entire incentive payment directly or a combination of a direct payment and a bill credit for the customer, as specified in the Non-Residential Tariff.

This document provides information on the Solicitation and Enrollment Rules necessary to participate and enroll in the RE Growth Program.

1.1 Purpose of the Solicitation and Enrollment

The RE Growth Program was developed pursuant to Chapter 26.6 of Title 39 of the Rhode Island General Laws to facilitate the development of and compensation paid to distributed generation (DG) projects in Rhode Island. These Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules for Small-Scale Solar Projects (Rules) provide the means by which a project can qualify for and enroll in the RE Growth Program. The Rules are only part of the RE Growth Program documents and should be read along with the Company's RE Growth Program Tariff for Residential Customers and the RE Growth Program Tariff for Non-Residential Customers (together, the Tariffs). Any term not defined in the Rules is defined in the Tariffs.

A Small-Scale Solar Project is a solar project with a nameplate generating capacity up to and including twenty-five kilowatts (25 kW). A Small-Scale Solar DG Project's nameplate capacity is the total rated power output of all solar panels measured in direct current (DC).

Under the RE Growth Program, National Grid will not execute contracts with Applicants.

1.2 Enrollment Framework

National Grid is operating the RE Growth Program, as guided by the Distributed Generation Board (Board) in consultation with the Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources (OER). The RE Growth Program is subject to the approval of the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission

(Commission). National Grid may also consult with the Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers (Division).

For each program year, there will be a target amount of megawatts (MW) to be enrolled for the year (annual MW target), which will be based on the projects' aggregate nameplate capacity. The nameplate capacity of a solar project is the total rated power output of all solar panels measured in DC. A "program year" means a year beginning April 1 and ending March 31, except that the first program year may begin after April 1, 2015, subject to Commission approval.

A total of at least 3 MW of capacity shall be carved out exclusively for Small-Scale Solar Projects in each of the first four (4) program years. The Board may recommend and/or the Commission may adopt a new annual MW class target for Small-Scale Solar Projects. Please see Schedule 1 for the currently approved annual MW target for Small-Scale Solar Projects.

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Before applying to the RE Growth Program, a project must not be: (1) already operating; or (2) under construction, except for preparatory site work that is less than twenty-five percent (25%) of the estimated total project cost.

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1.2.2.3.1 Prohibition on Project Segmentation

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Under the RE Growth Program, project segmentation is not allowed. However, a project developer may designate an additional distributed generation unit or portion of a unit on the same parcel or on a contiguous parcel for net metering or for other means of participating in electricity markets, as long as any such unit or portion of such unit: (1) is not receiving Performance-Based Incentives through the RE Growth Program; (2) is segregated electrically; and (3) is separately metered.

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1.2.2.3.2 Compliance with Sizing Limitations to Receive Bill Credits

In accordance with the Tariffs, Non-Residential Applicants for Small-Scale Solar Projects that have on-site load may receive a credit on their electric bill based upon the value of the on-site use, provided that the DG Project meets the sizing requirements as defined in the Non-Residential RE Growth Tariff. All Residential customers will receive bill credits and must meet the sizing limitations defined in the Residential RE Growth Tariff. The Project must be reasonably designed and sized to produce electricity at an annual level equal to or less than 1) the Residential Customer's On-Site Use as measured over the previous three (3) years at the electric service account located at the Residential Customer's service location; 2) the annualized On-Site Use over the period of service to the Residential Customer's service location if such service has been provided for less than three years; or 3) a reasonable estimate of annual On-Site Use if the Project is located at a new service location.

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The PBI is a price per kilowatt-hour for all of the Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) and any other environmental attributes or market products that are created or produced by the facility for as long as the facility is enrolled in the RE Growth Program.

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2.2.1 Site Control

The Applicant must show actual control of the site where the Small-Scale Solar Project is to be located, or show it has exercised its right to acquire control of the site. To meet this requirement, the Applicant must represent that it owns or leases (or has an executed, exclusive, unconditional option to own or lease) the site (or residence in the case of a Residential Small-Scale Solar Project) on which the project will be located, and that it has any additional rights required to develop and operate the project at the site.

2.3 Issuance of Certificates of Eligibility

National Grid shall award Certificates of Eligibility to the selected Small-Scale Solar Projects. National Grid is not required to obtain Commission confirmation or approval in awarding Certificates of Eligibility to Small-Scale Solar Projects. Certificates of Eligibility given to Small-Scale Solar Projects are subject to the review and consent of the OER. National Grid files a list of all awarded certificates with the Commission. Certificates of Eligibility will be awarded to eligible Small-Scale Solar Projects on a “first come, first served” basis until the annual MW target for the Small-Scale Solar class is fully subscribed.

The Certificate of Eligibility will contain applicable project information, including renewable technology and class, project capacity and energy output, term length, price, certificate issuance, and certificate effective dates.

2.4 Project Schedule

All Small-Scale Solar Projects have twenty-four (24) months to meet all other requirements pursuant to Section 6.a. of the Tariff in order to receive compensation under the RE Growth Program. A project’s proposed construction schedule must allow it to meet the applicable deadline after it has received a Certificate of Eligibility.

If a project does not become operational on or before the twenty-four (24) month deadline, the project’s Certificate of Eligibility will be voided.

2.5 Ownership of Products for Small-Scale Solar

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The Company shall have the rights to and receive title to:

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For Residential Small-Scale Solar Projects, the customer shall retain title to all energy and capacity produced by the project. All energy and capacity are deemed to have been used by the customer on-site during the term of the applicable supplements to the Tariff. The Company is not buying or taking title to energy or capacity under the RE Growth Program.

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2.5.1 Delivery of RECs and Registration in NEPOOL GIS

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2.5.2 Delivery of Energy into ISO-NE Market (Non-Residential Projects Only)

Energy must be delivered to National Grid in the ISO-NE Rhode Island load zone.

2.5.3 Participation in ISO-NE Forward Capacity Market (FCM)

Upon National Grid's election to acquire the capacity from a Project, National Grid will assume the rights to the capacity, pursuant to the Tariff. National Grid reserves the right to be the "Project Sponsor" for the Project, after consultation with the Division and the Board. If and when National Grid participates as Project Sponsor on behalf of any Project, the Applicant must support National Grid, as required, to qualify the Project as an Existing Capacity Resource in the FCM. Applicants are required to take commercially reasonable actions to maximize performance against any FCM Capacity Supply Obligations.

2.5.4 Qualification of RECs

Small-Scale Solar Projects must qualify as an eligible renewable energy resource pursuant to the Rhode Island Renewable Energy Standard (RES) and the Massachusetts Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS). The Company will obtain such approvals on behalf of all Small-Scale Solar Projects. Applicants must cooperate with the Company, including but not limited to completing

the Renewable Energy Certificate Assignment and Aggregation Certification Form, to obtain approval in order to be qualified under the RES and RPS.

III. Contact Information and Other Provisions

3.1 Contact Information

All questions and communications regarding these Rules should be directed via electronic mail to National Grid Environmental Transactions at the following address:

RenewableContracts@nationalgrid.com

3.2 Official Website for the Enrollment

The Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules are posted on the National Grid Rhode Island RE Growth Program website:

ngrid.com/REGrowth

Interconnection Applications must be submitted to distributed.generation@nationalgrid.com. Information about the interconnection process can be found on the Interconnection Process website:

https://www.nationalgridus.com/narragansett/business/energyeff/4_interconnection-process.asp

3.3 Confidentiality

The Board, the OER, and National Grid shall enter into an agreement regarding the sharing of information and data related to the RE Growth Program, including application information, details regarding project ownership, and pricing. At the request of the Board, the OER, National Grid, or the Division, the Commission shall have the authority to protect from public disclosure individual information for any projects that have not been awarded a Certificate of Eligibility. Information regarding project size, location, owner, and price will be made public for projects awarded a Certificate of Eligibility.

3.4 Modification or Cancellation of an Enrollment

Pursuant to Chapter 26.6 of Title 39 of the Rhode Island General Laws, any dispute involving the performance-based incentive payments, terms, conditions, rights, enforcement, and implementation of the Tariffs and these Rules is subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Commission. National Grid may, at any time up to the issuance of Certificates of Eligibility (Section 2.3 above) and without any liability on the part of National Grid, postpone, withdraw

and/or cancel an enrollment; alter, extend, or cancel any due date; and/or, alter, amend, withdraw and/or cancel any requirement, term or condition of this enrollment.

Schedule 1

Approved Small-Scale Solar Annual MW Target and Standard PBI Applicable to Current Enrollment Year

Renewable Energy Class (Nameplate kW)	Annual Enrollment Target (Nameplate MW)	Ceiling Price/Standard PBI (cents/kWh)
Small-Scale Solar – Host Owned (1-10 kW DC)	5.5	37.65 (15-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar – Host Owned (1-10 kW DC)		33.45 (20-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar – 3rd Party Owner (1-10 kW DC)		28.35 (15-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar – 3rd Party Owner (1-10 kW DC)		24.70 (20-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar (11-25 kW DC)		24.90 (20-yr Tariff)

Notes:

- Schedule 1 will be updated as required for each enrollment year.
- The Standard PBI is equivalent to the Ceiling Price that is recommended by the Board and approved by the Commission.

Schedule 2

Renewable Energy Growth Program PBI Inclusive of SolarWise Bonus

SolarWise Tier One: 5% PBI Increase	
Renewable Energy Class (Nameplate kW)	Ceiling Price/Standard PBI (cents/kWh)
Small-Scale Solar – Host Owned (1-10 kW DC)	39.53 (15-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar – Host Owned (1-10 kW DC)	35.12 (20-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar (11-25 kW DC)	26.15 (20-yr Tariff)

SolarWise Tier Two: 10% PBI Increase	
Renewable Energy Class (Nameplate kW)	Ceiling Price/Standard PBI (cents/kWh)
Small-Scale Solar – Host Owned (1-10 kW DC)	41.42 (15-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar – Host Owned (1-10 kW DC)	36.80 (20-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar (11-25 kW DC)	27.39 (20-yr Tariff)

SolarWise Tier One – Small-Scale Solar Third Party Owned: 2% PBI Increase	
Renewable Energy Class (Nameplate kW)	Ceiling Price/Standard PBI (cents/kWh)
Small-Scale Solar – 3rd Party Owner (1-10 kW DC)	28.92 (15-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar – 3rd Party Owner (1-10 kW DC)	25.19 (20-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar (11-25 kW DC)	25.40 (20-yr Tariff)

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Renewable Energy Class (Nameplate kW)	Ceiling Price/Standard PBI (cents/kWh)
Small-Scale Solar – 3rd Party Owner (1-10 kW DC)	29.48 (15-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar – 3rd Party Owner (1-10 kW DC)	25.69 (20-yr Tariff)
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The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid

**Rhode Island Renewable Energy Growth Program
Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules for Small-Scale Solar
Projects**

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I. Introduction and Overview

National Grid would like to welcome you to the Rhode Island Renewable Energy Growth Program (RE Growth Program). The RE Growth Program seeks to make it easy and attractive to install solar photovoltaic (PV) systems at the homes and businesses of National Grid's customers. An applicant (Applicant) to the RE Growth Program may be a solar developer or a National Grid customer.

Residential customers or their developers may apply for the RE Growth Program on a first-come, first-served basis. These solar systems will earn "bill credits" for the customer from the energy produced, and an incentive payment for any excess production.

Non-residential customers or their developers may also apply to the RE Growth Program on a first-come, first-served basis. These solar systems will have the option to receive the entire incentive payment directly or a combination of a direct payment and a bill credit for the customer, as specified in the Non-Residential Tariff.

This document provides information on the Solicitation and Enrollment Rules necessary to participate and enroll in the RE Growth Program.

1.1 Purpose of the Solicitation and Enrollment

The RE Growth Program was developed pursuant to Chapter 26.6 of Title 39 of the Rhode Island General Laws to facilitate the development of and compensation paid to distributed generation (DG) projects in Rhode Island. These Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules for Small-Scale Solar Projects (Rules) provide the means by which a project can qualify for and enroll in the RE Growth Program. The Rules are only part of the RE Growth Program documents and should be read along with the Company's RE Growth Program Tariff for Residential Customers and the RE Growth Program Tariff for Non-Residential Customers (together, the Tariffs). Any term not defined in the Rules is defined in the Tariffs.

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Under the RE Growth Program, National Grid will not execute contracts with Applicants.

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National Grid is operating the RE Growth Program, as guided by the Distributed Generation Board (Board) in consultation with the Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources (OER). The RE Growth Program is subject to the approval of the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission

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Energy must be delivered to National Grid in the ISO-NE Rhode Island load zone.

2.5.3 Participation in ISO-NE Forward Capacity Market (FCM)

Upon National Grid's election to acquire the capacity from a Project, National Grid will assume the rights to the capacity, pursuant to the Tariff. National Grid reserves the right to be the "Project Sponsor" for the Project, after consultation with the Division and the Board. If and when National Grid participates as Project Sponsor on behalf of any Project, the Applicant must support National Grid, as required, to qualify the Project as an Existing Capacity Resource in the FCM. Applicants are required to take commercially reasonable actions to maximize performance against any FCM Capacity Supply Obligations.

2.5.4 Qualification of RECs

Small-Scale Solar Projects must qualify as an eligible renewable energy resource pursuant to the Rhode Island Renewable Energy Standard (RES) and the Massachusetts Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS). The Company will obtain such approvals on behalf of all Small-Scale Solar

Projects. Applicants must cooperate with the Company, including but not limited to completing the Renewable Energy Certificate Assignment and Aggregation Certification Form, to obtain approval in order to be qualified under the RES and RPS.

III. Contact Information and Other Provisions

3.1 Contact Information

All questions and communications regarding these Rules should be directed via electronic mail to National Grid Environmental Transactions at the following address:

RenewableContracts@nationalgrid.com

3.2 Official Website for the Enrollment

The Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules are posted on the National Grid Rhode Island RE Growth Program website:

ngrid.com/REGrowth

Interconnection Applications must be submitted to distributed.generation@nationalgrid.com. Information about the interconnection process can be found on the Interconnection Process website:

https://www.nationalgridus.com/narragansett/business/energyeff/4_interconnection-process.asp

3.3 Confidentiality

The Board, the OER, and National Grid shall enter into an agreement regarding the sharing of information and data related to the RE Growth Program, including application information, details regarding project ownership, and pricing. At the request of the Board, the OER, National Grid, or the Division, the Commission shall have the authority to protect from public disclosure individual information for any projects that have not been awarded a Certificate of Eligibility. Information regarding project size, location, owner, and price will be made public for projects awarded a Certificate of Eligibility.

3.4 Modification or Cancellation of an Enrollment

Pursuant to Chapter 26.6 of Title 39 of the Rhode Island General Laws, any dispute involving the performance-based incentive payments, terms, conditions, rights, enforcement, and implementation of the Tariffs and these Rules is subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Commission. National Grid may, at any time up to the issuance of Certificates of Eligibility (Section 2.3 above) and without any liability on the part of National Grid, postpone, withdraw

and/or cancel an enrollment; alter, extend, or cancel any due date; and/or, alter, amend, withdraw and/or cancel any requirement, term or condition of this enrollment.

Schedule 1

Approved Small-Scale Solar Annual MW Target and Standard PBI Applicable to Current Enrollment Year

Renewable Energy Class (Nameplate kW)	Annual Enrollment Target (Nameplate MW)	Ceiling Price/Standard PBI (cents/kWh)
Small-Scale Solar – Host Owned (1-10 kW DC)	5.5	37.65 (15-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar – Host Owned (1-10 kW DC)		33.45 (20-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar – 3rd Party Owner (1-10 kW DC)		28.35 (15-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar – 3rd Party Owner (1-10 kW DC)		24.70 (20-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar (11-25 kW DC)		24.90 (20-yr Tariff)

Notes:

- Schedule 1 will be updated as required for each enrollment year.
- The Standard PBI is equivalent to the Ceiling Price that is recommended by the Board and approved by the Commission.

Schedule 2

Renewable Energy Growth Program PBI Inclusive of SolarWise Bonus

SolarWise Tier One: 5% PBI Increase	
Renewable Energy Class (Nameplate kW)	Ceiling Price/Standard PBI (cents/kWh)
Small-Scale Solar – Host Owned (1-10 kW DC)	39.53 (15-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar – Host Owned (1-10 kW DC)	35.12 (20-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar (11-25 kW DC)	26.15 (20-yr Tariff)

SolarWise Tier Two: 10% PBI Increase	
Renewable Energy Class (Nameplate kW)	Ceiling Price/Standard PBI (cents/kWh)
Small-Scale Solar – Host Owned (1-10 kW DC)	41.42 (15-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar – Host Owned (1-10 kW DC)	36.80 (20-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar (11-25 kW DC)	27.39 (20-yr Tariff)

SolarWise Tier One – Small-Scale Solar Third Party Owned: 2% PBI Increase	
Renewable Energy Class (Nameplate kW)	Ceiling Price/Standard PBI (cents/kWh)
Small-Scale Solar – 3rd Party Owner (1-10 kW DC)	28.92 (15-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar – 3rd Party Owner (1-10 kW DC)	25.19 (20-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar (11-25 kW DC)	25.40 (20-yr Tariff)

SolarWise Tier Two – Small-Scale Solar Third Party Owned: 4% PBI Increase	
Renewable Energy Class (Nameplate kW)	Ceiling Price/Standard PBI (cents/kWh)
Small-Scale Solar – 3rd Party Owner (1-10 kW DC)	29.48 (15-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar – 3rd Party Owner (1-10 kW DC)	25.69 (20-yr Tariff)
Small-Scale Solar (11-25 kW DC)	25.90 (20-yr Tariff)