

Oklahoma - Net Metering

Incentive Type: Net Metering

Eligible Renewable/Other Technologies: Solar Thermal Electric, Photovoltaics, Wind, Biomass, Hydroelectric, Geothermal Electric, Municipal Solid Waste, CHP/Cogeneration

Applicable Sectors: Commercial, Industrial, Residential, General Public/Consumer

Limit on System Size: 100 kW or 25,000 kWh/year (whichever is less)

Limit on Overall

Enrollment: None

Treatment of Net Excess: Granted to utility monthly or credited to customer's next bill (varies by utility)

Utilities Involved: Investor-owned utilities, electric cooperatives regulated by the Oklahoma Corporation Commission

Authority 1: O.A.C. § 165:40-9

Date Enacted: 5/23/1988

Summary:

Net metering has been available in Oklahoma since 1988 under Oklahoma Corporation Commission (OCC) Order 326195. The OCC's rules require investor-owned utilities and electric cooperatives under the commission's jurisdiction to file net-metering tariffs for customer-owned renewable-energy systems and combined-heat-and-power (CHP) facilities up to 100 kilowatts (kW) in capacity. Net metering is available to all customer classes. There is no limit on the amount of aggregate net-metered capacity.

Utilities are not allowed to impose extra charges for customers signed up for net metering, nor are they allowed to require new liability insurance as a condition for interconnection. Utilities are also not required to purchase net excess generation (NEG) from customers. However, a customer may request that the utility purchase NEG. In the utility agrees, then NEG will be purchased at the utility's avoided-cost rate.

Systems must be installed and maintained in compliance with the National Electric Code (NEC). An external disconnect switch is required.

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