



March 1, 2021

Please be advised Firelands Electric Cooperative's Single-Phase Distributed Generation Rate Schedule DG, which is applicable to accounts operating cogeneration or small power production facilities such as solar arrays or windmill generators, that said rate schedule is expected to be revised in 2021.

This letter notifies you, as an owner of, or potential owner of a qualifying small power production facility to consider and budget for provisions listed below regarding the billing of electrical power consumed at your location and the crediting of power generated at your location.

Although details of the revisions have not been finalized, it is expected the present policy of Net-Metering will be replaced with a Net-billing formula. Under the present Net-metering policy, consumer accounts are billed for their net kWh usage each month, using the formula (kWh consumed, minus kWh produced = Net kWh billed). Under the Net-Billing formula, accounts will be billed at Firelands' standard rates for all kWh consumed, and a credit will be issued for all kWh's produced by the small power production facility, at the monthly Purchase Rate established by Firelands Electric Cooperative's wholesale supplier Buckeye Power, Inc.

In the near future you will be provided with additional information in the form of FAQ's and related documents.

The above listed change in rates is a continuation of our commitment to equitably providing at-cost cooperative service to all members.

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**FIRELANDS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.**

**SINGLE-PHASE DISTRIBUTED GENERATION RATE  
SCHEDULE DG**

**AVAILABILITY AND APPLICABILITY:**

This schedule is available to Members of Firelands Electric Cooperative, Inc. contracting for electric service from the Cooperative who, through the operation of qualifying single-phase cogeneration or small power production facilities as defined in the Cooperative's Operational Policy relating thereto, with a design capacity of 25 kilowatts (kW) or less, have available electric energy and the associated capacity which they desire to sell to the Cooperative in accordance with the requirements of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA), as amended, and all governmental regulations lawfully promulgated thereunder and the Cooperative's applicable rules, regulations, policies and rate schedules, in circumstances where the output of such facility is not reasonably anticipated to exceed the annual electric energy requirements of the Member and provided that the total aggregate electric generating capacity of all qualifying facilities interconnected to the electric distribution systems of the members of Buckeye Power, Inc. (Buckeye) and net metered does not exceed 1% of Buckeye's aggregate peak electric demand of all of the Buckeye members.

**NET METERING:**

Compliance with applicable rules, regulations, policies and terms of this rate schedule is a condition precedent to purchases hereunder. The Member shall use the output of the qualifying facility first to meet the requirements of Member's electric consuming facilities located on the Premises. Any output of the qualifying facility in excess of the requirements of Member's electric consuming facilities shall be transferred to the Cooperative and credited against the Member's bill for electric service hereunder. Member shall only be entitled to receive a billing credit for any such output of the qualifying facility in excess of the requirements of the Member's facilities, and in no event shall the Member be entitled to receive any payment from the Cooperative for any such excess output of the qualifying facility.

**RATE:**

Distribution Charge:	\$36.00 /month
First 500 kWh	\$0.10785 /kWh
501 to 1000 kWh	\$0.10350/kWh
Over 1000 kWh	\$0.08695 /kWh

The rate paid as a credit to the member shall equal the Buckeye Power, Inc. portion of the rate billed to Firelands Electric Cooperative members.

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**MONTHLY MINIMUM CHARGE:**

The monthly minimum charge under this schedule shall be the Distribution Charge, or such other minimum as may be established by contract.

Seasonal disconnects will not avoid the minimum monthly charge.

**WHOLESALE POWER AND TAX COST ADJUSTMENT:**

The rates and charges set forth in this schedule are subject to increase or decrease by application of the adjustments specified in Rider A.

**TERMS OF PAYMENT:**

The above rates and other applicable charges hereinafter set forth are net and are due and payable on or before the date specified on the bill. If not so paid, the gross amount applies and service will be subject to disconnection as provided in the Cooperative's rules and regulations. Trips for collection of past due amounts and reconnection of disconnected services shall be subject to the Cooperative's charges for such special services.

**USE OF SERVICE:**

Service under this schedule shall not be resold or shared with others.

**OTHER CHARGES FOR SPECIAL SERVICES:**

See the Cooperative's general rules and regulations as to other applicable charges.

**METERING:**

Meters are read monthly through an automated meter reading system (AMR). However, the Cooperative reserves the right to read any meter at any time and bill on a monthly basis or use an estimated meter reading. Net metering will be accomplished using a single meter or pair of meters capable of registering the flow of electricity in each direction from the Cooperative's electric distribution system to Member's electric consuming facilities located on the premises, and from Member's qualifying facility to Cooperative's electric distribution system.

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:**

The Cooperative's rules and regulations relating to the purchases from qualifying cogeneration and small power production facilities as they are now in effect or as they may hereafter be amended from time to time, are incorporated into and made a part of this rate schedule as if contained herein. The Member shall comply with all the provisions of such rules and regulations.

Effective April 23, 2020