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**RIDER CGR – CUSTOMER GENERATION REBATE**

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**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Rider is to provide rebates consistent with the provisions of 220 ILCS 5/16-107.6 to Customers installing a Private Generation Facility that interconnects with the Company's distribution system. The value of the rebates offered will be consistent with the amounts specified in 220 ILCS 5/16-107.6 and with related Orders of the ICC.

**AVAILABILITY**

Rebates offered through this tariff will be available to Non-Residential and Residential Customers that are taking service under Rider NM – Net Metering whose Private Generation was interconnected with the Company's electric distribution system under the terms of Section 16-107.5 of the Public Utilities Act prior to June 1, 2017.

Rebates are also available for Non-Residential and Residential Customers served under Rider NM who interconnect Private Generation Facilities with the Company's electric distribution system subsequent to June 1, 2017 using a Smart Inverter, as detailed in the Rebate Amounts section of this tariff.

Owners and developers of Collectively-Owned Generation Facilities, and owners, developers and Subscribers of Community Renewable Generation Projects and Low-Income Community Solar Projects that are part of a net metering program provided under Subsection 16-107.5(1) of the Public Utilities Act are eligible for the rebate if they use Smart Inverters to interconnect their Eligible Facilities to the Company's electric distribution system after June 1, 2017, and if they otherwise qualify for the rebate. Only that portion of an LICCS that is  $\leq 2$ MW shall be eligible for the rebate.

Rebates will be provided once for each Eligible Facility, and calculated on a per watt basis of nameplate generating capacity measured in nominal DC power output. Parties seeking rebates through this tariff for Eligible Facilities interconnected to the Company's electric distribution system after June 1, 2017 shall provide the Company with the manufacturer and serial number of the Smart Inverter installed as part of their Private Generation system. Replacement inverters meeting the technical specifications for a Smart Inverter are not eligible for rebates. Inverters cannot be relocated for the purpose of securing rebates at other private generation locations.

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Rebates will be available under this tariff unless or until the Commission orders their termination and/or approves tariffs setting new rebate values in accordance with Section 16-107.6 of the Public Utilities Act.

**DEFINITIONS**

**Collectively-Owned Generation Facilities or COGF**

Collectively-Owned Generation Facilities or COGF means an electric generating facility located in the Company's service territory with a nameplate capacity of not more than 2,000 kilowatts (kW) AC powered by solar electric energy, wind, dedicated crops grown for electricity generation, agricultural residues, untreated and unadulterated wood waste, landscape trimmings, livestock manure, anaerobic digestion of livestock or food processing waste, fuel cells or micro turbines powered by renewable fuels, or hydroelectric energy; interconnected at distribution level voltages under the provisions of 83 Ill. Adm. Code 466; located at a single Premises and located on the same building as the recipients of its output; and having multiple recipients of the generating facility's output such as individual units, apartments, or properties located in a single building that are owned or leased by multiple customers, including but not limited to an office or apartment building, a shopping center or strip mall, served by photovoltaic panels on the building's roof.

**Community Renewable Generation Project or CRGP**

Community Renewable Generation Project or CRGP means an electric generating facility located in the Company's service territory with a rated capacity of not more than 2,000 kW AC powered by wind, solar thermal energy, photovoltaic cells or panels, biodiesel, crops and untreated and unadulterated organic waste biomass, tree waste and hydropower not sourced from hydropower dams built or significantly expanded after June 1, 2017; interconnected at distribution level voltages under the provisions of 83 Ill. Adm. Code 466; and whose owner/operator offers Subscriptions for the generator's output under the provisions of 220 ILCS 5/16-107.5.

**Eligible Facility**

Eligible Facility means a COGF, CRGP, LICS, or Private Generation Facility.

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**Low Income Community Solar or LICS**

Low Income Community Solar or LICS means an electric generating facility located in the Company's service territory, approved by the Illinois Power Agency per the provisions of 20 ILCS 3855/1-56(b)(2) and whose rated capacity may exceed 2,000 kW AC; that is powered by solar energy; is exempt from the requirement that a "qualified person" as defined in 20 ILCS 3855/1-56(i)(1) installed the facility; and is otherwise interconnected under the provisions of either 83 Ill. Adm. Code 466 or 83 Ill. Adm. Code 467.

**Private Generation Facility**

Private Generation Facility means a solar, wind, or other Eligible Facility that is located on the customer's premises, is intended to primarily offset the customer's own electrical requirements, and is interconnected under the provisions of 83 Ill. Adm. Code 466.

**Smart Inverters**

A Smart Inverter is a device that converts direct current (DC) into alternating current (AC) and can autonomously contribute to grid support during excursions from normal operating voltage and frequency conditions by providing each of the following: dynamic reactive and real power support, voltage and frequency ride-through, ramp rate controls, communication systems with ability to accept external commands, and other functions from the Company. Inverters meeting the specifications listed on the Information Sheet filed pursuant to this tariff, at the time of application for interconnection under Parts 466 or 467, shall be deemed as qualifying for rebates under this tariff, regardless of any subsequent change in the specifications defining a Smart Inverter.

**Subscriber**

Subscriber means a Retail Customer who has a Subscription of no less than 200 watts to a CRGP or LICS that is located in the electric utility's service area and has agreed to service under the terms of the Company's Rider NM – Net Metering Service. No Subscriber's Subscription may total more than 40% of the nameplate capacity of an individual CRGP or LICS. Entities that are affiliated by virtue of a common parent shall not represent multiple Subscriptions that total more than 40% of the nameplate capacity of an individual CRGP or LICS. A Subscriber may have a Subscription in more than one COGF, CRGP or LICS. A COGF-participating Customer is not considered a Subscriber.

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**Subscription**

Subscription means an interest in a CRGP or LICS expressed in kilowatts, which is sized primarily to offset part or all of the Subscriber's electricity usage. A Customer's Subscription shall be portable so that the Subscription may be retained by the Subscriber even if the Subscriber relocates or changes its address within the Company's service territory, and shall be transferable so that the Subscriber may assign or sell its Subscription to another person within the Company's service territory. The terms and conditions for any sale, assignment, or transfer of Subscriptions are not a part of service provided by the Company, and it shall be the sole responsibility of the project owner or operator to notify the Company of all changes in the billing for any sale, assignment, or transfer of a Subscription.

**REBATE AMOUNTS**

**Prior to Commission determination of the value of Customer Generation to the distribution system:**

**For all Non-Residential Customers With Private Generation Facilities who are Served under Rider NM:** \$250 per kW of nameplate generating capacity, measured as nominal DC power output.

**For all owners of COGF, CRGP and LICS:** \$250 per kW of nameplate generating capacity, measured as nominal DC power output, for each kW of capacity contracted to a Subscriber or, in the case of COGF, for all the kW of capacity upon enrollment of one interconnected Customer for service under the terms of the Company's Rider NM-Net Metering Service.

**Subscribers to the output of CRGP and LICS served under Rider NM – Net Metering regardless of delivery service classification:** \$250 per kW of nameplate generating capacity, measured as nominal DC power output, if a rebate for their subscribed share of the generator has not previously been issued.

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**APPLICATION FOR REBATES**

Within ninety (90) calendar days after receiving an Order from the Commission for this tariff, the Company will publicize the availability of the rebates under this Rider.

Information on how to apply for a rebate will be made available on the Company's website or may be requested by calling the Company's toll-free general information number. The Company will provide rebates to eligible Customers within sixty (60) calendar days after the receipt of a completed application. Qualifying Customers will be provided with a one-time lump sum rebate payment.

Upon approval of a rebate application, a Customer served by the Private Generation Facility or the subscribed portion of an Eligible Facility that received a rebate shall no longer be entitled to receive any delivery service credits for the excess electricity generated by its facility or by the Customer's portion of an Eligible Facility, and is subject to the provisions of Subsection 16-107.5(n) of the Public Utilities Act.

**INFORMATIONAL SHEET**

The Smart Inverter specifications associated with this tariff shall be filed with the ICC for informational purposes in the form of an Informational Sheet. The specifications shall be updated on an "as required" basis and filed no later than the 20th of the month prior to the month they shall be effective.

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**GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

The utility shall be permitted to operate and control the Smart Inverter associated with the distributed generation that is the subject of the rebate for the purpose of preserving reliability during distribution system reliability events only with the explicit written permission of the Customer. The terms and conditions of the operation and the compensation associated with the operation will be addressed in an Appendix to the Customer's interconnection agreement. For purposes of this tariff, the terms "reliability" and "distribution system reliability events" are based on the standards and operating criteria contained in 83 Ill. Adm. Code Part 410, Subpart D; 83 Ill. Adm. Code Part 411; and the Company's Standards and Qualifications for Electric Service. The Smart Inverter may be separately compensated for the utility's purposes including, but are not limited to, voltage and VAR support, regulation, and other grid services. Absent any separate written agreement entered into between the Company and the Customer, the rebate offered through this tariff shall be the sole source of compensation for the use of the Smart Inverter for the utility's purposes, and the operation and control for these purposes will be implemented via the Smart Inverter settings identified in the Information Sheet attached to this tariff. After the NM nameplate capacity exceeds 3% of the total peak demand supplied by the Company, the Commission shall review and determine whether smart inverters can provide any additional uses or services. If the Commission determines that an additional use or service would be beneficial, the Commission shall determine the terms and conditions of the operation and how the use or service should be separately compensated. Until the Commission issues an order establishing such separate compensation, the rebates issued under this tariff shall be the only source of compensation for the activities listed in this section.

Service hereunder is subject to the Customer Terms and Conditions, Standards and Qualifications for Electric Service, Tax Additions, and Supplemental Customer Charge Tariffs of this Schedule, as well as any other applicable Rates, Riders, taxes, adjustments, fees or charges that may be approved by the ICC from time to time.

Smart Inverters must, at a minimum, meet the technical specifications outlined in the Smart Inverter Specifications in place at the time of the inverter installation. These specifications detailed in an Informational Sheet filed pursuant to this tariff.