

SECTION 51  
SMALL GENERATOR AGGREGATION

51.1 GENERAL

Pursuant to Chapter 315 of the Maine Public Utilities Commission's Rules, generators with a nameplate capacity of 5 MW or less and operating in the ISO-NE control area may request that the standard offer provider for residential customers purchase the output of its facility. Eligible generators must make this request by contacting the Company. The Company is responsible for administering the sale of power from small generators to standard offer providers under Chapter 315. Generators with a nameplate capacity of less than 1 MW may opt for a net metering arrangement over their billing cycle.

51.2 CONTRACT

A contract with the Company shall be required for all generators. The contract shall specify, among other things:

- the size and location of the generator
- the delivery point and voltage
- the term of the contract
- billing procedures
- metering requirements
- the rights and obligations of the Company and the generator

In addition to the contract required by this section, generators shall also be required to execute all other agreements that may be otherwise required by applicable laws, regulations, tariffs and rate schedules. Such additional agreements include, but are not limited to, (i) customer service agreements that may be required under the Company's rate schedules and (ii) transmission service and interconnection agreements that may be required by applicable Open Access Transmission Tariffs.

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51.3. ADMINISTRATION

General Procedures:

The Company will invoice standard offer providers on a monthly basis for electricity delivered by eligible generators during the previous month. Standard offer providers will be required to pay such invoices within ten (10) days of receipt. The purchase price to be invoiced by the Company for each generator shall be the hourly real-time nodal clearing price for the node on which the generator is located. The standard offer providers shall pay the amount of such invoices, less any incremental ISO-NE system administration costs charged to standard offer providers as a result of purchasing such electricity from the generator. When making payments to the Company, the standard offer providers shall provide the Company with an itemization of the incremental ISO-NE system administration costs to be allocated to each generator. The Company will then pay to each generator the amount received from the standard offer provider, less an administrative fee of \$100 per month.

Exception for Generators of 1 MW or less:

Generators with a nameplate capacity of 1 MW or less may elect to not install the necessary hourly metering that is required to receive the real-time nodal clearing price for the node on which the generator is connected. In such a case, generators choosing this option will have their excess generation netted against their usage over the billing cycle used for retail electricity service. Such netting will be limited to only that customer usage that is measured at the same metering location that is used to measure the generator's output. For generators electing this option, the purchase price by the standard offer providers shall be the average monthly clearing price for the Maine Zone rather than the otherwise applicable real-time nodal clearing price. The Company will prorate, based on the number of days in the billing cycle, the excess generation by billing cycle in order to estimate the amount of excess generation in each calendar month. The Company will credit each standard offer provider's load obligation by the proportional amount of any excess generation produced by these customers in each calendar month. The Company will submit the standard offer provider's adjusted load obligation in accordance with the ISO-NE resettlement calendar. The Company will then invoice the standard offer provider for the MWH's of load reduction multiplied by the Maine Zonal clearing price for the month for which the resettlement occurs. The standard offer provider will be required to pay the full amount of such invoice, without offset, within ten (10) days of receipt. Once a standard offer provider remits the payment to Company, the Company will then pay each generator the amount received from the standard offer provider, less an administrative fee of \$50 per month.

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51.4 NET BILLING CUSTOMERS

Customers that engage in net energy billing pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Maine Public Utilities Commission's Rules may elect to either (a) sell excess hourly generation to the applicable standard offer providers under Chapter 315 or (b) bank such excess generation as a credit against future usage in accordance with Chapter 311 of the Maine Public Utilities Commission's Rules; provided, however, that any such election by the generator may not be changed for one year from the effective date of such election. Net energy billing customers must elect the option of selling excess generation through a contract with the Company. Net energy billing arrangements for customers that elect to sell excess generation to standard offer providers pursuant to Chapter 315 shall be administered in accordance with Section 51.3(b) above.

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