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29.5 Expanded Solar For All ("E-SFA") Program

The E-SFA Program is a jointly run program by the Company and NYSERDA. The E-SFA Program will provide a monthly credit to participating customers in the Company's Energy Affordability Program, as specified in Special Provision M of SC1 or Special Provision I of SC1C, from the aggregated Value Stack compensation, as specified in Rule 40.2, calculated from participating CDG projects' net injections as further provided in this Rule 29.5.

29.5.1 Participation Requirements

29.5.1.1 E-SFA CDG Projects

CDG projects participating in the E-SFA Program ("E-SFA CDG Projects") must meet the following requirements to participate:

i) Be located in the Company's service territory;
ii) An initial date of interconnection to the Company's electric system that is after PSC approval of the E-SFA Program;
iii) Compliant with the interconnection requirements as specified in Rule 29.1.3;
iv) Paid in full on any Company invoices related to interconnection costs;
v) Eligible for, and have the required metering installed for, Value Stack compensation as specified in Rule 40.2;
vi) Submitted all required information in response to a Competitive Solicitation issued by NYSERDA, as further described in Rule 29.5.2;
vii) In receipt of a written notification of selection for the E-SFA Program from NYSERDA as part of the Competitive Solicitation;
viii) Certifies acceptance of the terms and conditions of the E-SFA Program as required by the Company and NYSERDA as further described in Rule 29.5.2;
ix) May not have satellites enrolled for participation in their CDG project, as otherwise provided for in Rule 29, nor be an active participant in Rule 29.4, CDG Net Crediting program; and
x) The CDG project owner will be responsible for the ownership and operation of their project.

29.5.1.2 E-SFA Program Customers

The Company will automatically enroll any customer account participating in the Company's Energy Affordability Program ("EAP") in the E-SFA Program. A customer enrolled in the E-SFA Program may simultaneously participate as a satellite of a CDG project; or as a satellite~~, unless such customer is currently a satellite of a CDG project or is a participant~~ in a Remote Crediting project, as described in Rule 66~~,~~; or as a satellite in a Remote Net Metered project, as described in Rules 36.7 and 37.10. ~~Customers that are satellites of a CDG project or are participating in a Remote Crediting project or a Remote Net Metered project will be notified of their option to enroll in the E-SFA Program, subject to discontinuing their participation in the other programs. At no time during a customer's participation in the E-SFA Program shall a customer also be participating as a satellite with a CDG or Remote Net Metered project or program.~~

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EAP customers enrolled in a Community Choice Aggregation related CDG product as approved by the PSC also will not be automatically enrolled in the E-SFA Program. The Company will notify such customers of their option to participate in the E-SFA Program. The Company will enroll such customers in the E-SFA Program subject to the customer providing appropriate notice to the Company. Subject to such customer notification, customer may participate in both the E-SFA Program and Community Choice Aggregation.

E-SFA Program customers may opt-out of the E-SFA Program at any time by contacting the Company's Contact Center or other avenues that may be available in the future. E-SFA Program customers will also be removed from the E-SFA Program at such time that the customer is no longer a participant in the Company's EAP.

29.5.2 Competitive Solicitation

NYSERDA, in coordination with the Company, may periodically offer a Competitive Solicitation for enrollment of CDG projects in the E-SFA Program, pursuant to PSC Order dated January 20, 2022 in Case No. 19-E-0735, and subject to any subsequent modifications by the PSC. Selection for enrollment will set the Compensation Level for the E-SFA Project, which is defined as the percentage of the CDG project's Value Stack compensation, as determined in accordance with Rule 40.2.

Within ~~thirty~~sixty (~~3~~60) days following receipt of written notification of its selection for enrollment and assigned Compensation Level from NYSERDA, the CDG Project will submit a Project Participation Form, to indicate its acceptance of the Compensation Level and the terms and conditions of the E-SFA Program.

The E-SFA CDG Project's Compensation Level will be fixed for a period of ~~up to~~ 25 years from the initial date of interconnection of the CDG Project to the Company's electric system. Payments based on the Compensation Level will expire at such time that the E-SFA CDG Project terminates participation in the E-SFA Program or has reached the end of the project's 25-year compensation period, whichever is sooner. The E-SFA CDG Project may unenroll from the E-SFA Program with a minimum of twelve (12) months' notice prior to the beginning of the Program Year in which the E-SFA Project no longer wishes to participate. ~~Once unenrolled, such project may not re-enroll without the Company's approval.~~

The Program Year will be the 12-month program year period as defined in the Expanded Solar For All Program Implementation Plan as filed in Case 19-E-0735, as may be modified from time to time.

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29.5.3 E-SFA Customer Credits

29.5.3.1 On an annual basis, or as further specified in 29.5.3.3, the Company will determine the monthly fixed dollar amount that will be credited to participating E-SFA Program customers' retail electric charges for the upcoming ~~p~~Program ~~y~~Year ("E-SFA Customer Credit"). ~~The Company will forecast the dollar amount to be used to establish the E-SFA Customer Credit for the upcoming program year ("Credit Pool") as the share of the forecasted Value Stack compensation of the aggregated participating E-SFA CDG Projects for the upcoming program year that will be allocated to the E-SFA Program Customers less the Utility Administrative Fee as specified in 29.5.5 ("Forecasted Customer Share"), plus any previous year's reconciliation balance, as specified in 29.5.3.2. The Credit Pool may also include a buffer amount, at the Company's discretion, to limit overcompensation, as necessary. The buffer may reduce the Forecasted Customer Share for the upcoming program year by no more than 10%, or such lesser amount as determined by the Company. In addition, the Credit Pool may include excess credits from NYSERDA's Solar For All program if such credits are made available to the E-SFA Program by NYSERDA.~~

The monthly E-SFA Customer Credit will be determined as:

E-SFA Customer Credit = Credit Pool / (number of E-SFA Customers enrolled at end of previous P~~p~~rogram Y~~y~~ear * number of billing months in the P~~p~~rogram Y~~y~~ear in which customers receive the E-SFA Customer Credit)

The Credit Pool will be forecasted for the upcoming Program Year as follows:

Credit Pool = Forecasted Customer Share – Forecasted Utility Administration Fee + Buffer + Previous Year Floating Credits + NYSERDA Solar for All Credits (if available)

The Forecasted Customer Share will be the forecasted aggregated Value Stack Compensation, as specified in Rule 40, of participating E-SFA Projects, less the forecasted E-SFA CDG Project Payments for the upcoming Program Year.

The Forecasted Utility Administration Fee will be a forecast of the Utility Administration Fee specified in 29.5.5 for the upcoming Program Year.

The Buffer may be used at the Company's discretion to limit overcompensation as necessary. The ~~b~~Buffer may reduce the Forecasted Customer Share for the upcoming Program Year by no more than 10%, or such lesser amount as determined by the Company.

The Previous Year Floating Credits will be the previous Program Year's reconciliation balance as specified in 29.5.3.2.

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The E-SFA Customer Credit will be applied to the electric portion of customers' bills, after the application of any other applicable customer bill credits are applied. If the E-SFA Customer Credit causes the customer's monthly bill to be less than zero, the amount less than zero caused by the E-SFA Customer Credit will be banked to the customer's account and applied to future bills. If a customer opts-out during a P~~p~~rogram Y~~y~~ear, the customer will receive a final credit during the current month of the opt-out and will not receive further credits.

~~29.5.3.2 Following the first year of the E-SA Pprogram, the E-SFA Credit for subsequent years will include a reconciliation balance of the previous year's compensation, credits, and payments. The reconciliation balance will be determined as i) the actual Value Stack compensation associated with the E-SFA CDG Projects during the previous Pprogram Yyear as specified in Rule 40, minus ii) the actual E-SFA Customer Credits provided during the previous Pprogram Yyear, as specified in 29.5.3.1, minus iii) the actual E-SFA CDG Project Payments provided during the previous program year, as specified in 29.5.4, minus iv) the actual Utility Administrative Fee determined for the previous program year as specified in 29.5.5. The annual reconciliations will include carrying charges based on the Company's pre-tax WACC and will be added to the Credit Pool used to determine the E-SFA Credit in the following program year as specified in 29.5.3.1.~~

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29.5.3.2 Following the first year of the E-SA Program, the E-SFA Credit for subsequent years will include a reconciliation balance of the previous year's compensation, credits, and payments. The reconciliation balance will be determined as i) the actual Value Stack compensation associated with the E-SFA CDG Projects during the previous Program Year as specified in Rule 40, minus ii) the actual E-SFA Customer Credits provided during the previous Program Year, as specified in 29.5.3.1, minus iii) the actual E-SFA CDG Project Payments provided during the previous Program Year, as specified in 29.5.4, minus iv) the actual Utility Administrative Fee determined for the previous Program Year as specified in 29.5.5. The annual reconciliations will include carrying charges based on the Company's pre-tax weighted average cost of capital (WACC) and will be added to the Credit Pool used to determine the E-SFA Customer Credit in the following Program Year as specified in 29.5.3.1. If the actual components of the reconciliation for the final month of the Program Year are not available in time to set the E-SFA Customer Credit for the upcoming Program Year, the Company may choose to include only 11 months of reconciliations in the upcoming Program Year's E-SFA Customer Credit or may estimate the components for the final month of the Program Year subject to reconciling the estimate in the following year's reconciliation.

29.5.3.3 The Company, at its discretion, may shorten the first year of the E-SFA P~~p~~rogram to facilitate a sufficient customer credit rate until enrolled projects are fully operational.

29.5.3.4 The E-SFA Customer Credit will be filed on a rate statement annually with the PSC not less than fifteen (15) days~~[2]~~ prior to the effective date.

29.5.4 E-SFA CDG Project Payment

The Company will pay the E-SFA CDG Project the Value Stack compensation calculated by the Company for the project for the previous month, in accordance with Rule 40, multiplied by their assigned Compensation Level percentage. Payments will be made monthly and separate from the retail bill. The E-SFA CDG Project will provide the Company with the necessary information for the Company to pay the project in the Project Participation Form.

29.5.5 E-SFA Utility Administrative Fee

The Company will collect an E-SFA Utility Administrative Fee to offset incremental costs incurred to implement and administer the E-SFA Program. The fee will be forecasted for the upcoming P~~p~~rogram Y~~y~~ear and will be one percent of the forecasted annual value of the participating E-SFA CDG Project's total Value Stack credits.

On an annual basis, the Company will compare its actual incremental implementation and administrative costs of the E-SFA Program for the previous year to the amount collected in that year in the E-SFA Utility Administrative Fee. To the extent that the annual costs are less than the annual amount recovered in the E-SFA Utility Administrative Fee, the Company will return fifty percent of the difference through the Value Stack Cost Recovery Surcharge, as specified in Rule 40.3.