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GENERAL INFORMATION

COMMUNITY DISTRIBUTED GENERATION (“CDG”)

29.1.2.3 If the CDG Host account was previously established as a net metered Customer-Generator or Remote Net Metered Customer-Generator, it must forfeit any remaining kWh credits at the time it becomes a CDG Host.

29.1.3 The CDG Host will be responsible for building the CDG facility, interconnecting to the grid, and owning or operating the facility in conformance with the requirements of PSL 66-j (3)(e), (f) and (g) and 66-l (3)(e) except for projects being compensated under the VDER Value Stack per Rule 40.2 which are not limited to the same load zone requirement.

29.1.3.1 The CDG Host electing service under this provision must execute a New York State Standardized Contract for Interconnection of New Distributed Generation Units with Capacity of 5 MW or Less Connected in Parallel with Utility Distribution Systems. CDG Hosts must operate in compliance with standards and requirements set forth in the New York State Standard Interconnection Requirements and Application Process for New Distributed Generators 5 MW or Less Connected in Parallel with Utility Distribution Systems, and as set forth within the SIR Addendum to this tariff, which may be amended from time to time.

29.1.4 Projects taking service under Rule 66 – Remote Crediting are eligible to make a one-time, irrevocable election to take service under Rule 29 but shall remain under the VDER Value Stack compensation mechanism.

A Remote Crediting project that opts into CDG:

29.1.4.1 will provide the Company with notice of its intent to take service under CDG and submit a completed switching certification and CDG allocation form within 60 days of the project’s first account billing date under CDG, Rule 29, or within 45 days of the project’s last host account billing date under Remote Crediting, Rule 66.

29.1.4.2 must adhere to the rules and requirements of the CDG program.

29.1.4.3 will retain the same Value Stack Eligibility Date as well as any Value Stack component rates locked in at the time of eligibility.

29.1.4.4 will have CDG program term and the start date of such term will be based on the project’s original interconnection date.

29.1.4.5 will have the option to enroll in the CDG Net Crediting program. If elected, the new CDG project must adhere to the requirements and timeframes of the CDG Net Crediting program, as described in Rule 29.4.

29.1.4.6 will retain any monetary credits banked on the host account that will be the starting balance of the new CDG Host bank balance.

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29.4 CDG Net Crediting Program

Customers who meet the requirements specified in Rule No. 29 and Rule No. 40 for a CDG Host or CDG Satellite may participate in the CDG Net Crediting Program as specified in this Rule 29.4. The CDG Net Crediting Program provides for an alternate payment and crediting methodology for CDG Hosts and CDG Satellites eliminating a separate participation payment from the CDG Satellite to the CDG Host. The Company will facilitate crediting the CDG Satellite’s bills and pay the CDG Host based on Value Stack credits as calculated in Rule 40 for the CDG project’s net injections and as further provided below. The CDG Host and CDG Satellites participating in this program will be subject to any requirements provided in the Company’s CDG Net Crediting Manual, as filed with the PSC and which may be modified from time to time, that are not specified below.

29.4.1 Enrollment

CDG projects participating in the CDG Net Crediting Program must meet all the requirements and follow the provisions provided in Rule 29 and Rule 40 for CDG projects.

The CDG Host must enroll via the Company’s enrollment portal and by executing a CDG Sponsor Net Crediting Agreement with the Company at least sixty days prior to commencing participation in the CDG Net Crediting Program, in addition to any other forms and registrations required under Rule 29 and the CDG Net Crediting Manual.

The CDG Host must provide the CDG Savings Rate for the project, which is the percentage of the project’s Value Stack Compensation, as determined in accordance with Rule 40, that will be provided to the project’s CDG Satellites in aggregate under this program. The CDG Savings Rate must be provided at least 30 days prior to the CDG host account’s billing date to which the rate will be applied, via the Company’s portal. The CDG Savings Rate may not be less than 5% for any CDG project. The CDG Savings Rate must be the same for all the CDG Satellites of a CDG Project, except for up to one Excluded Anchor Satellite, if applicable, as defined and specified in 29.4.4 below.

The CDG Host will provide its associated CDG Satellite account numbers and the allocation percentage via the Company’s online portal, in accordance with Rule 29. The CDG Host may modify its associated CDG Satellite accounts and/or the allocation percentages of its CDG Satellites via the Company’s portal no less than thirty days prior to the CDG Host account’s billing date to which the modifications apply. The CDG Host may modify its associated CDG Savings Rate following the requirements provided in the CDG Net Crediting Manual.

~~CDG Hosts may remove the CDG project from the CDG Net Crediting Program with 30-day notice. A CDG project that has previously been removed from the CDG Net Crediting Program may re-enroll following the requirements provided in the CDG Net Crediting Manual.~~

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29.4 CDG Net Crediting Program (continued)

CDG Hosts may remove CDG projects from the CDG Net Crediting Program with a 30-day notice to the Company. A CDG project that has been removed from the CDG Net Crediting Program is permitted to: 1) return to the CDG program, 2) re-enroll in CDG Net Crediting Program following the requirements provided in the CDG Net Crediting Manual, or 3) switch to Remote Crediting under Rule 66.

Projects that elect to return to CDG or switch to Remote Crediting will forfeit the crediting methodology in CDG Net Crediting that eliminates a separate participation payment from the satellite to the host. Once removed from the CDG Net Crediting Program, the Company will apply the full value of the Value Stack credit to the satellite as dictated on the allocation form without any separate payment to the host or deduction of the utility administration fee.

Non-Value Stack CDG or RNM projects that opt into the CDG Net Crediting will forfeit any banked volumetric credits on the existing projects before commencing with the CDG Net Crediting program. Value Stack CDG or Remote Crediting projects that opt into the CDG Net Crediting will retain any banked monetary credits on the existing projects that will become the starting balance of the new CDG Net Crediting project’s host bank.

29.4.2 Determination of CDG Satellite’s Net Member Credits

The Company will calculate and apply a Net Member Credit to the participating CDG Satellite’s retail bill based on the CDG project’s net injections and associated Value Stack Compensation, as determined in accordance with Rule 40 and each applicable billing period, with modifications as follows.

Net Member Credits for each CDG Satellite shall be determined as the CDG Savings Rate multiplied by the CDG Satellite’s Calculated Credits. The Calculated Credits for each participating CDG Satellite will be determined as the minimum of i) the Total Available Credit and ii) the CDG Satellite’s total electric retail bill charges for the applicable billing period. The Total Available Credit shall be determined as the sum of i) the CDG project’s Value Stack Compensation for the applicable billing period as calculated in conformance with Rule 40, multiplied by the CDG Satellite’s Allocation Percentage; and ii) any retained credits that have been banked or re-allocated to the CDG Satellite’s account.

Any remainder of Net Member Credit that has not been used to credit the CDG Satellite’s current electric utility bill for the applicable billing period will be banked on the CDG Satellite’s account for future use. All provisions of the CDG program relating to banked credits shall be extended to CDG Net Crediting projects.

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66. REMOTE CREDITING

~~Remote Net Metering (RNM)~~ projects that qualify for Value Stack compensation under Rule 40.2.1 will transition to Remote Crediting, effective September 1, 2021, and continue to be compensated under the Value Stack.

66.1 Remote Crediting Eligibility:

Remote Crediting is available ~~only~~ to:

- 1) previously-eligible RNM projects compensated under the Value Stack Rule 40.2,
- 2) new Remote Crediting projects interconnected after September 1, 2021 compensated under the Value Stack Rule 40.2, ~~and~~
- 3) volumetric ~~CDG or~~ RNM projects eligible under Rules 36.7, ~~and~~ 37.10, ~~or~~ 40.1 that opt into the Value Stack, according to Rule 66.2 provisions, ~~and~~
- 3)4) Value Stack CDG projects eligible under Rule 40.2 that opt into Remote Crediting, according to Rule 66.2 provisions.

Remaining monetary credits on the Host account for those ~~CDG or~~ RNM projects transitioning to Remote Crediting will be the starting balance of the new Remote Crediting Host bank. ~~CDG or~~ RNM projects transitioning to Remote Crediting retain any Value Stack Eligibility Date lock-in rates, as described in Rule 40.2.3.1, ~~as well as the project's originally established term limit.~~

Only non-residential customers and farm-residential customers will be permitted to participate as Remote Crediting Hosts. Customers taking service under Service Classification No. 7 – Sale of Standby Service to Customers are not permitted to participate in Remote Crediting as a satellite or as a host. A Remote Crediting Satellite cannot participate as a Remote Crediting Host nor can a Remote Crediting Host be a Remote Crediting Satellite.

Remote Crediting projects are eligible to serve a maximum of ten (10) autonomous customers, with each autonomous customer permitted to enroll unlimited accounts provided the accounts are all in the same name. The Remote Crediting Host customer counts towards the maximum of ten (10) autonomous customers. The requirement that all satellite accounts be in the same customer name and same load zone as the Host account, as specified in Rule 36.7.2 and 37.10.2, do not apply to Remote Crediting projects. However, Remote Crediting projects and their satellite accounts must be located in the Company's service territory.

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66. REMOTE CREDITING (Continued)

66.2 Remote Crediting Opt-in:

Projects taking service under ~~Rules 29, Rules 36.7, and 37.10, and 40.1~~ are eligible to make a one-time, irrevocable election to take service under ~~this~~ Rule 66. Projects making such an election shall provide the Company with notice of intent to take service under Rule 66 and submit completed switching certifications and Remote Crediting allocation forms within 60 days of the new project's first account billing date or within 45 days of the existing project's last host account billing date.

Non-Value Stack CDG or RNM projects that opt into the Value Stack as of September 1, 2021 must adhere to the rules and requirements of Remote Crediting. Volumetric RNM projects that opt into Remote Crediting will forfeit any banked volumetric credits on the existing projects before commencing with Remote Crediting, and s Value Stack CDG projects that opt into Remote Crediting will retain any banked monetary credits on the existing projects that will become the starting balance of the new Remote Crediting project's host bank.

~~Each such non-Value Stack opt in~~ project's Value Stack Eligibility Date shall be the date in which the project notifies the Company of the project's intent to opt into Remote Crediting and will lock in any Eligibility Date-specific component rate at the time of such notification. Projects currently compensated under the Value Stack that opt into Remote Crediting will retain the same Value Stack Eligibility Date as well as any Value Stack component rates locked in at the time of eligibility.

Phase One NEM projects, as described in Rule 40.1, that opt into Remote Crediting will continue to be subject to the CBC Charge, as described in Rule 40.1.8.4. The CBC Charge cannot be offset by any monetary Value Stack credits on the Customer-Generator's account.

All projects opting into Remote Crediting will have a term based on the Value Stack compensation methodology as specified in Rule 40.2.5, and the start date of such term will be based on the project's original interconnection date.

Non-Value Stack CDG or RNM projects that opt into Remote Crediting and are eligible to receive the Value Stack Environmental component, have the option to retain their RECs or may permit the Company to be the Responsible Party in the NYGATS. If transferring the RECs to the Company, the project must contact the NYGATS administrator to initiate a transfer of the generator in NYGATS to the Company. Projects not already registered in NYGATS must authorize the Company to register and report generation data through NYGATS.

CDG Net Crediting projects, as described in Rule 29.4, that opt into Remote Crediting will forfeit the crediting methodology in CDG Net Crediting that eliminates a separate participation payment from the satellite to the host. Once enrolled in Remote Crediting, the Company will apply the full value of the Value Stack credit to the satellite as dictated on the Remote Crediting allocation form, without any separate payment to the host or deduction of the utility administration fee.

~~Interconnected CDG projects, whether volumetric, monetary, Value Stack, or Net Crediting, are not eligible for Remote Crediting until such time that rules and eligibility requirements are established by the PSC for transitioning CDG projects into the Remote Crediting program.~~

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66.3 Satellites Participating in Multiple Projects:

Remote Crediting Satellite accounts are permitted to participate in multiple Remote Crediting projects but are not permitted to participate in Rule 36.7 RNM projects, Rule 37.10 RNM projects, or Rule 29 CDG projects, as a host or as a satellite. Remote Crediting Hosts must notify the Company if a Remote Crediting Satellite has multiple Remote Crediting ~~hosts~~ Hosts on any allocation form submitted to the Company.

Remote Crediting Satellites that participate in multiple Remote Crediting projects or are Customer-Generators are limited to a cumulative total of 5 MW of installed capacity allocated to the Remote Crediting Satellite account as determined by adding the total installed on-site capacity to the allocated capacity from all Remote Crediting projects of which the Remote Crediting Satellite is a participant.

If it is determined that the Remote Crediting Satellite account is receiving more than the aggregated capacity of 5 MW, the Company will suspend any application of credits to the Remote Crediting Satellite and those credits will remain with the appropriate Remote Crediting Host banks. Allocation of credits to the Remote Crediting Satellite will resume once the sum of the Remote Crediting Host allocations does not exceed 5 MW.

The Remote Crediting Host must certify in writing to the Company, both prior to commencing Remote Crediting and with each allocation form submitted, that it has met all program criteria set forth in Commission's orders and detailed in the Company's tariff, including, but not limited to, certifying that the cumulative total installed capacity of each Remote Crediting Satellites does not exceed 5 MW.

In the event a Remote Crediting Satellite participates in multiple Remote Crediting projects, the Value Stack credit applied to the satellite account's current electric charges will be determined on a pro rata basis based on each Remote Crediting Host's total allocation to the satellite in that billing period. If the Remote Crediting Satellite is also a Customer-Generator, any on-site generation credits will be applied prior to any application of Remote Crediting Value Stack credits.