

PSC NO. 220 ELECTRICITY
NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION
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GENERAL INFORMATION

61. DISTRIBUTION LOAD RELIEF PROGRAM

Purpose: The Distribution Load Relief Program is being offered by the Company in response to the Commission's order in Case 14-E-0423. This Program will enable participating eligible customers to be compensated for reducing their load under certain conditions when called upon by the Company to do so.

61.1 Contracting for Distribution Load Relief Program Service

Eligible customers must be served under Service Classification Nos. 1, 1C, 2, 3, 3A, 4, 7 or 12, served at secondary and primary voltage levels only. Customers must be physically located in a Company Designated Area and be served from the Company-identified stressed electrical equipment to be eligible for participation in this Program. Company Designated Areas will be published on the Company's website. Customers must install interval metering in accordance with Rule 61.4 or have existing interval metering that conforms to Rule 61.4 to participate in this Program.

There are two options under this Program through which a Direct Participant or Aggregator may contract to provide Load Relief during Load Relief Periods designated by the Company: 1) the Reservation Payment Option, and 2) the Voluntary Participation Option. This Program is applicable to Direct Participants and Aggregators who apply and are accepted by the Company to provide Load Relief in a Company Designated Area, either on a Voluntary Participation or Reservation Payment Option, whenever the Company designates a Contingency Event or Immediate Event during a Capability Period. A Direct Participant must contract to provide at least 50 kW of Load Relief. An Aggregator must contract to provide at least 50 kW of Load Relief.

If other requirements for service under this Program are met, Electric Generating Equipment may be used to participate under this Program subject to the provisions set forth in section 61.5.4 below. The participating Direct Participant or Aggregator is responsible for determining that the operation of Electric Generating Equipment under this Program will be in conformance with any governmental limitations on such operation.

Customers who take service under Rule 36 and Rule 37 are not eligible to participate in this Program.

61.2 **Definitions** - the following terms are defined for purposes of this Program only:

"Aggregator" refers to a party other than the Company that represents and aggregates the load of customers who collectively have a Load Relief potential of 50 kW or greater in a Company Designated Area and is responsible for the actions of the customers it represents, including performance and, as applicable, performance adjustments, penalties, and repayments to the Company.

"Capability Period" under this Program refers to the period during which the Company can request Load Relief. The Capability Period shall be from May 1 through September 30.