



# Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.

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Bismarck, ND 58501

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#### AVAILABILITY:

Available to any customer with a small generator facility whose capacity does not exceed 50 Kw that is located on the customer's premises and is intended primarily to offset part or all of the customer's own electrical requirements. The small generating facility, hereinafter referred to as eligible customer generator, must be interconnected and operated in parallel with the Company's existing distribution facilities.

#### APPLICABILITY:

Net Metering means measuring the difference between the electricity supplied by the Company and electricity generated by an eligible customer-generator that exceeds the customer's own use or is sold to Montana-Dakota.

#### RATE:

Basic Service Charge: The Basic Service Charge per the applicable standard service rate.

Demand Charge: The Demand Charge per the applicable standard service rate.

Energy Charge: If the energy supplied by the Company exceeds the customer generated energy, the energy charge per Kwh under the otherwise applicable standard service tariff shall be applied to the positive energy balance and charged to the customer.

If the energy supplied by the customer generator exceeds the amount of energy supplied by the Company, the net Kwh shall be credited to the customer's next monthly bill. The balance of the energy generated shall appear as a credit on the customer's account until the customer's consumption offsets the credit or the end of the designated 12-month billing period, which ever occurs first. At the end of the 12-month period any unused Kwh credit

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accumulated during the previous 12-months will be granted to the Company with no compensation to the customer. The customer shall designate the start date of the 12-month billing period as January 1, April 1, July 1 or October 1.

#### GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

##### 1. INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT:

Prior to connecting a renewable energy system to operate in parallel with the utility, the eligible customer-generator must initiate and enter into an Interconnection Agreement with the Company in accordance with Small Generator Facility Distribution Interconnection Rules and Procedures Rate 96.

##### 2. INTERCONNECTION AND OPERATION:

- a. Upon completion of a signed interconnection agreement and the initiation of service, the customer shall operate its Small Generator Facility in parallel with Montana-Dakota's system and in accordance with the terms of the Interconnection Agreement, Small Generator Facility Distribution Interconnection Rules and Procedures Rate 96 tariff and the Administrative Rules of Montana 38.5.84.
- b. There should only be one net metering system installed per each metered service located on the customer's premises. The net metering system must have an aggregate nameplate capacity per premise that does not exceed 50 Kw and be fueled by solar, wind, or hydropower.
- c. Neither customers, customer accounts or services, nor meters may be aggregated for purposes of net metering.

##### 3. METERING:

Montana-Dakota will provide a standard meter capable of registering the flow of electricity in two directions. Any additional costs necessary for the interconnection are the responsibility of the customer in accordance with

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Rate 96 ¶ VIII.5 and as outlined in the Small Generator Facility Distribution Interconnection Agreement.

4. INTERRUPTION OF DELIVERIES:

The Company may require the customer to interrupt or reduce deliveries of available energy when Company determines (a) such interruption is necessary in order to construct, install, maintain, repair, replace, remove, investigate, or inspect any Company-owned equipment or part of the Company's system, or (b) that curtailment, interruption, or reduction is necessary because of emergencies, forced outages, force majeure, or compliance with any electrical code or standard. Whenever possible, Company will give the customer notice of the possibility that interruption or reduction of deliveries may be required.

5. TEMPORARY DISCONNECTION OF FACILITY:

If at any time the Company determines that either (a) the customer's eligible generator, or its operation, may endanger Company personnel, or (b) the continued operation of the generator may endanger the integrity of the Company's electric system, the Company shall have the right to disconnect the generator from the Company's system. The Company will give the customer notice of such occurrence as soon as practical. The customer's eligible generator will remain disconnected until such time as the Company determines that all condition(s) are such that it is safe to reconnect.

The Company is not obligated to pay for energy that would otherwise have been delivered to its system absent the occurrences described in this section.

6. The foregoing schedule is subject to Rates 101 through 131 and any amendments or alterations thereto or additional rules and regulations promulgated by the Company under the laws of the state.

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