



**DELTA-MONTROSE ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS POLICY  
NET METERING**

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**OBJECTIVE**

To encourage our members to install solar, wind, hydro, and similar renewable generation facilities to fulfill or partially fulfill their own electrical requirements and to set the standards and limitations under which DMEA will allow members to interconnect to the electric grid within DMEA’s service territory for net metering purposes.

**ACCOUNTABILITY**

The General Manager and key management personnel

**SCOPE**

**Section 1. APPLICABILITY:**

Applicable to renewable electric generation (photovoltaic, hydroelectric, and wind) facilities up to 25 kilowatts (25 kW) – (nameplate aggregate of all technologies at a single metered location) that are interconnected on the member side of the DMEA electric meter and operating in parallel with the electric grid. Any interconnection not meeting this applicability shall be subject to PURPA interconnections or other applicable agencies having jurisdiction.

Renewable electric generation facilities which exceed 25 kilowatts (nameplate aggregate of all technologies at a single metered location) may be interconnected under the following criteria

1. Approval from Tri-State Generation and Transmission
2. Maximum nameplate aggregate of all technologies as listed below
  - a. Large Commercial                      250 kW
  - b. Small Commercial                      50 kW

**Section 2. CONDITIONS OF SERVICE:**

1. Interconnections of Renewable Systems are limited in size by the lesser of two amounts:
  - a. Residential 25 kW,  
Small Commercial 50 kW,  
Large Commercial 250 kW, or
  - b. Nameplate rating of transformer system interconnection utilizes



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2. Rebates may be made available at the discretion of the Board of Directors. To be eligible for rebates, Environmental Attributes (including, but not limited to Renewable Energy Credits, Carbon Credits, Green Tags, and Capacity rights) must be transferred to DMEA, if available.
3. Credits will accrue to the account when generation exceeds usage.
4. Interconnection with DMEA shall be at standard available voltages and connections. Total Harmonic Distortion (THD) shall be less than 5%. Power Factor shall be 0.95 or higher.
5. Applications under this policy must be made in writing.
6. Rates will be based upon existing rate tariffs.

**Section 3. TERM:**

This renewable interconnection policy may be revised periodically and is subject to change and/or termination at the discretion of the Board of Directors of Delta-Montrose Electric Association.

**Section 4. METERING:**

PV systems meeting all applicable codes, policies, and certifications require a single, net meter only. This meter will be installed by DMEA and replace the existing DMEA meter.

Other renewable energy systems may require a second meter base to allow metering of generation output. Contact DMEA prior to installation.

**Section 5. INTERCONNECTION STANDARDS AND SAFETY:**

To be eligible, the customer's system must meet all applicable current National Electrical Codes, the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers and other accredited testing laboratories such as Underwriter's Laboratories. Any safety hazard shall be subject to immediate disconnection by DMEA.



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**Section 6. EVENTS WHICH MAY REQUIRE DISCONNECTION:**  
Unsafe conditions and any condition determined by DMEA to be in the best interests of safety to the public or employees.

**Section 7. PAYMENT:**  
Payment for annual generation in excess of annual consumption as measured by a net meter will be made annually and may be subject to a minimum threshold. Amount of payment will be determined by the overall cost of wholesale power from the previous calendar year and the amount of energy credits accrued at a net meter.

**Section 8. ADMINISTRATIVE FEE:**  
None

**Section 9. Rate Schedules:**  
Res NM rate schedules will be used to designate the net metering status of residential accounts. All other accounts will have "NM" added to the existing rate schedule to indicate the net metering status of the account.

  
Chairman and President of the Board

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