

**OKEFENOKE RURAL ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION  
NAHUNTA, GEORGIA**

**Net Metering Rider  
NMTR-001**

**A. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Rider is to establish the methods and procedures for determining credits, payments, and charges applicable to members of the Cooperative who own and operate a distributed generation facility as defined herein.

**B. DEFINITIONS**

The following words and terms shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

1. **"Billing period"** means, as to a particular member, the time period between the dates on which the Cooperative normally reads the retail service meter for billing purposes.
2. **"Bi-directional meter"** is a meter capable of measuring (but not necessarily displaying) electricity flow in both directions.
3. **"Bi-directional metering"** means measuring the amount of electricity supplied by the Cooperative and the amount of electricity fed back to the Cooperative by the member's distributed generation facility using a single meter.
4. **"Member"** means a member of Okefenoke Rural Electric Membership Corporation.
5. **"Member Generator"** means a member who is the owner and operator of a distributed generation facility.
6. **"Distributed generation facility"** means a facility owned and operated by a member of the Cooperative for the production of electrical energy that:
  - a. Uses a fuel cell or a renewable energy source;
  - b. Has peak generating capacity of not more than 10 kW for a residential application and 100 kW for a commercial application;
  - c. Is located on the member's premises;
  - d. Operates in parallel with the Cooperative's distribution facilities;
  - e. Is connected to the Cooperative's distribution system on either side of the Cooperative's retail service meter; and
  - f. Is intended primarily to offset part or all of the member generator's requirements for electricity.

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7. **“Electric distribution system”** is the wires, poles, reclosers, breakers, regulators, transformers, and other associated equipment and facilities owned, operated, and maintained by OREMC for the purposes of the timely and reliable delivery of electrical energy to its members.
8. **“Excess net energy”** is the amount of energy received by the electric distribution system from the member generator that exceeds the amount of energy delivered to the member from the electric distribution system during the billing period.
9. **“Net metering member”** means a Member Generator receiving net metering service.
10. **“Net metering”** means measuring the difference, over the billing period, between electricity supplied to a Member Generator from the electric grid and the electricity generated and fed into the electric grid by the Member Generator, using a bi-directional meter or an additional single direction meter.
11. **“Renewable energy sources”** means energy supplied from technologies such as a solar photovoltaic system, wind turbine, biomass system, or other technologies approved in the Georgia Green Pricing Accreditation Program.

### **C. APPLICABILITY**

This Rider applies to any member of the Cooperative owning and operating a distributed generation facility as defined in the Cooperative’s Distributed Generation Policy. The capacity of a distributed generation facilities used by residential members shall not exceed 10 kW and the capacity of a distributed generation facility used by a commercial member shall not exceed 100 kW.

### **D. CONDITIONS OF SERVICE**

The Generator Member must have met all of the conditions of interconnection contained in the Cooperative’s Distributed Generation Policy, including submittal of the Application for Interconnection of Distributed Generation Facility and the execution of the Distributed Generation Facility Interconnection Agreement.

### **E. TYPES OF NET METERING**

Net Metering will be accomplished using bi-directional metering for distributed generation facilities interconnected on the Member Generator’s side of the retail service meter or single directional metering for distributed generation facilities interconnected with the Cooperative’s distribution system on the Cooperative’s side of the retail service meter.

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## F. DISPOSITION OF ENERGY

If the amount of energy delivered from the electric distribution system to the Member Generator during the billing period exceeds the amount of energy received onto the electric distribution systems from the Member Generator during the billing period, then all energy generated by the Member Generator shall be deemed to have been used by the Member Generator.

If the amount of energy received onto the electric distribution system from the Member Generator during the billing period exceeds the amount of energy delivered to the Member Generator from the electric distribution system during the billing period, then such excess net energy shall be purchased by the Cooperative as provided under the Purchase Rate section of this Rider.

## G. RATES AND CHARGES FOR NET METERING SERVICE

Each Member Generator shall be charged for electric service under that rate schedule which would otherwise be applicable if the member was not a Member Generator. The costs associated with the interconnection and any special metering configurations are captured and reimbursed to the Cooperative as part of the overall interconnection arrangements addressed in the Interconnection Policy.

## H. PURCHASE RATE

The rate used to determine the dollar amount paid for net energy purchased by the Cooperative shall be based upon the Cooperative's avoided average annual cost of purchased power. The purchase rate as of the effective date of this Rider shown below is:

On Peak Months: (Billing Cycles between June 1 – September 30)	\$0.05 per kWh
All other months (Billing Cycles between October 1– May 31)	\$0.043 per kWh

The above-stated rate may be adjusted annually at the sole discretion of the Cooperative, to reflect the prevailing avoided average cost of purchased power.

The Cooperative will purchase energy from Member Generators on a first-come, first served basis only until the cumulative generating capacity of all the Member Generators' renewable resources equals 0.2 percent of the Cooperative's annual peak demand in the previous year.

## I. TERM OF SERVICE

The term of service under this Rider shall be the same as that set forth in the Distributed Generation Facility Interconnection Agreement between the Member Generator and the Cooperative.

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