## BLUE RIDGE ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

# Closed to New Installations as of 4/30/15

Schedule Number: 8.7

## **RIDER NM**

## Net Metering Rider for Member Owned Renewable Generation Systems Up To 25 kW

### Availability:

This rider is closed to new accounts as of 4/30/15 and will be closed to all accounts as of 5/31/20. Available to residential or commercial members receiving concurrent service from the Cooperative's residential or commercial rate schedule, where a member-owned renewable energy generation system (wind-powered, photovoltaic, or micro-hydro) with a nameplate rating up to 25 kilowatts (kW), that is designed to offset all or a portion of the electrical requirements normally provided by the Cooperative, has been installed on the member's side of the meter; and where the renewable energy generation system is interconnected with and operated in parallel with the Cooperative's distribution system, and the member's intent is to purchase all power requirements from the Cooperative, net of any power generated by the members' renewable energy system in any given month, and where the member owns the property where electrical service is received from and delivered to the Cooperative. The member will be billed for all energy purchased from the Cooperative under the applicable rate schedule. The excess renewable energy delivered to the Cooperative will be credited by the Cooperative to the member's account on a monthly basis equal to the most recently approved rate schedule with which this Rider is used. Excess renewable energy credits not used in the current billing month to reduce kWh usage shall be accumulated and used to reduce usage in future months; however, any accumulated excess renewable energy credits not used to reduce billed kWh usage shall be set to zero each May 31. There will be no compensation paid to member for excess renewable energy credits granted to the cooperative. Credits shall not offset the Basic Facilities Charge or the Demand Charge of the Cooperative. The issuance of credits under this Rider conveys to the Cooperative the right to Renewable Energy Credits (RECS) or "green tags" associated with the energy delivered to the Cooperative by the member.

### Type of Service:

This schedule is applicable to residential or commercial services of 60-cycles at one of the following approximate voltages where available:

- Single-phase, 120/249 Volts, or
- Three-phase, 208Y/120 Volts, 480Y/277 Volts, or
- Three-phase, three-wire, 240, 480 Volts

The type of service supplied will depend upon the voltage available. Prospective members should ascertain the available voltage by inquiring at the nearest Cooperative office before purchasing equipment. Three-phase voltage, other than the foregoing, is subject to mutual agreement between the Cooperative and the member. Other types of installations may be permitted, subject to approval by the Cooperative.

#### Rate:

The following charges and credits will be added to the member's monthly bill:

## Supplemental Monthly Grid Service Charge: \$2.91

The monthly minimum bill for members receiving this service shall be no less than the Grid Service Charge in the residential or commercial rate schedule with which this rate is used, plus the supplemental Grid Service Charge as stated in this schedule.

#### Metering Requirements:

The Cooperative will furnish, install, own, and maintain metering to measure energy (kilowatt-hours) delivered by the Cooperative to the member and the energy delivered from the member to the Cooperative.

When a member requests that the Cooperative supply electric service in a manner that requires equipment and facilities beyond those which the Cooperative would normally provide, and the Cooperative finds it practical to do so, such excess equipment and facilities will be provided as additional facilities at a cost to the member. Costs will

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## Renewable Generation System Less Than 25 kW

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## Interconnection Requirements:

The member must submit an application to interconnect the small generation system, which must be approved by the Cooperative. Upon approval of the application, and prior to interconnection to the Cooperative's electrical system, the member must sign an interconnection agreement certifying:

- 1. All renewable energy systems equipped with a voltage inverter, shall be manufactured, installed, and operated in compliance with Underwriters Laboratory (UL) standard 1741 for distributed generation and has been identified and listed as "utility-interactive". (Note: Induction type generators shall be approved on a case-by-case basis.)
- 2. That the system/installation complies with the National Electric Code (NEC) and all applicable codes and that the system has been inspected and approved by the electrical inspector having legal jurisdiction.
- 3. The system shall be installed, operated, and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's, government, and industry standards and specifications.
- 4. The system shall be installed, operated, and maintained in accordance with the Cooperative's Bylaws and Service Rules and Regulations and the Small Generation Interconnection agreement at all times.

Service may be terminated by the member-owner or the Cooperative in accordance with the terms as stated in the interconnection agreement. The Cooperative reserves the right to inspect the member's small generation system at any reasonable time and to immediately disconnect the member's system without providing prior notice should it be necessary to address a hazardous condition or for failure to comply with any of the specifications and requirements as stated in the Small Generation Interconnection Agreement.

Effective on bills rendered after October 3, 2022

Approved by Board of Directors July 28, 2022