

Net Metering Policies at Oregon Utilities

Utility	Net Metered Systems	NEG Payment Scheme	NEG Credit Rate	PV Incentive Offered	System Size Cap	Extra Fees	Resources Eligible / Additional Notes
Blachly-Lane County Cooperative	2	Monthly	Retail	none	25 kW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *\$100 + \$1/kW to consider application *Impact study or system modifications *Discretionary inspection: \$50 *Fee for annual inspections: \$50 *Manual blade disconnect switch (automatic blade disconnect for <600 volts) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Solar, wind, hydro, fuel cell *Small customer base: 3,500. 50% is rural farmland, other half industrial. Last time they netted out and made payment to the commercial customer was 2010. The residents have never received a payout.
Central Electric Cooperative	88 (mostly all residential)	Annualized, December	Avoided Cost	none	25 kW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Do not require manual disconnect on every system. If you're at or below 30 amps, and you have a UL listed inverter (ie the inverter will shut down if automatically if need be), then you don't need a manual disconnect. (Took this from Pacific Power) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *solar, wind, fuel cell, hydro
Central Lincoln People's Utility District	13 (10 residential, 2 commercial, 1 wind)	Annualized	Avoided Cost	Res: \$500/kWDC (max \$2k); Comm: \$500/kWDC (max \$5k)	200 kW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *blade disconnect 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *solar, wind, micro hydro, fuel cell
City of Ashland Electric Department	87	Annualized	Retail (But if >1,000 kWh, then wholesale)	\$.75/watt	no cap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Disconnect switch 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *solar, wind, fuel cell, hydro, geothermal

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City of Bandon	2	Annualized, December	Retail	\$1.50/AC watt installed; up to \$3,000	25 kW	*\$200 Review and assessment *If not "fast-tracked" then customer pays for an in-depth study and any upgrades that come from it *blade disconnect	*solar, wind, fuel cell, bio fuel, hydro
City of Cascade Locks	1	Annualized	Avoided Cost	none	25 kW	*blade disconnect	*fuel cell, solar, wind, hydro
City of Drain	1 (residential)	Annualized, May	Avoided Cost	none	25 kW	*blade disconnect	*solar PV, fuel cell, wind
City of Milton-Freewater	0	Monthly	Avoided Cost	none	25 kW	*automatic disconnect	*solar, fuel cell, wind, hydro

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City of Monmouth Electric Department	5	Monthly	Avoided Cost	none	2,000 kW	*manual disconnect switch	*solar, wind, fuel cell, hydro
Clatskanie People's Utility District	0	Indefinite (at utility's discretion)	Retail	n/a	30 kW	no blade disconnect	
Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative	2	Annualized	Avoided Cost	none	25 kW	*\$20/month *disconnect switch	*wind, solar, fuel cell, hydro **"Even when they generate more than they consume, we pay them the retail rate because it's easier for us. Both of our customers often net out, but it's not a very large amount."
Columbia Power Cooperative Association (Monument)	4 (3 residential, 1 commercial)	Annualized	Retail	none	25 kW	n/a	*no agreement available

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Columbia River People's Utility District	n/a	Annualized, March	Avoided Cost	Residential: \$1.50/DC rated watt, capped at \$3,500	n/a	*blade disconnect	*solar, wind, hydro and "others"
Consumers Power	109	Annualized, December	Retail	\$500/kW ; max \$3,000	25 kW	*blade disconnect for systems > 30 amps	*Hydro, wind, solar, fuel cell
Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative	14	Annualized, December	Avoided Cost	none	30 kW	blade disconnect	solar, wind, fuel cell, hydro
Douglas Electric Cooperative	16	Annualized, April	Avoided Cost	none	25 kW	*\$35/inspection (inspections at utility discretion) *disconnect device	*solar, wind fuel cell, hydro

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Emerald People's Utility District (EPUD)	38	Annualized, December	Avoided Cost to utility (low-income program)	Residential: \$1.50/watt AC (max \$5k); Non-residential: \$1.50/watt AC (max \$10,000)	25 kW	n/a	<p>*solar, wind, fuel cell, hydro, landfill gas, digester gas, waste dedicated energy crops, nontoxic biomass</p> <p>* All excess credits after annual true-up go to low income assistance program</p> <p>* Generation can not exceed use on avg. over 3 years</p>
Eugene Water & Electric Board	233	Annualized	Avoided Cost (to utility low-income program)	\$1.70/AC output (but this is now taken from a voluntary Green Power fund, not the general fund, and it will run out by the end of August)	200 kW (because of Bonneville's small generator interconnection balancing authority)	*customer installs blade disconnect; you must buy commercial general liability insurance if you are over >10K (in interconnection agreement, not net metering policy)	<p>*solar, wind, hydro, biofuels,</p> <p>*Used to have no system cap but Bonneville began the small generator interconnection requirements which gives them authority to shut down 200kW+ solar systems for balancing and re-dispatch.</p>
Forest Grove Light & Power	9	Annualized	Retail	\$500/kw installed capacity up to \$1000 for a residence or \$1500 if they have a heat pump	25 kW	*blade disconnect	*no agreement available
Harney Electric Cooperative	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	25 kW	\$10/month	Solar, wind, hydro, fuel cell

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Hermiston Energy Services	0			none	25 kW	n/a	*No customers have net metered yet; no policy available
Hood River Electric Cooperative	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Idaho Power	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Lane Electric Cooperative	36 (35 residential)	Annualized, November or Monthly (utility's discretion)	Other: Avoided cost plus a "green adder" rate	\$1.00/DC Watt (Max \$4,000)	25 kW	*Don't require blade disconnect switch with new inverters (with UL 1771 standards).	*solar, wind, fuel cell, hydro *They also provide a zero interest loan for up to \$9,000.

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McMinnville Water & Light	6 (5 solar, 1 small hydro)	Annualized, June	Avoided Cost	none	25 kW	*disconnect may not be required for systems <600 volts *Fees charged if facility needs a second (\$50 + \$1/kw) or third approval (\$100 + \$2/kw). Engineering costs could be charged \$100/hour in these situations.	*Solar, wind, small hydro, fuel cell
Midstate Electric Cooperative	15-20	Monthly	Avoided Cost	none	25 kW	*\$60: initial Coop inspection and account setup *\$35: annual inspections; *disconnect switch	*solar, wind, fuel cell, micro-hydro *For a while, we tracked the net energy [annually]. But our billing software could not handle it. We were outsourcing our billing to an outside company. We would have had to charge a monthly fee to continue annually.
Northern Wasco People's Utility District	9	Annualized, March	Avoided Cost to customer or utility low-income program (customer's choice)	none	25 kW	*blade disconnect	*solar, wind, fuel cell, hydro
Oregon Trail Electric Consumers Cooperative	40-60	Monthly	Avoided Cost	\$500 for the first kW installed per year	25 kW	*disconnect switch	*solar, wind, fuel cell, hydro, landfill gas, digester gas, waste, dedicated energy crops available on a renewable basis or low-emission, nontoxic biomass based on solid organic fuels from wood, forest or field residues electrical generating facility

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PacifiCorp	2,616	Annualized, March (then paid to utility program at avoided cost rate)	Retail	Energy Trust	25 kW for residential; 2 MW for commercial	*Application fee for 25 kW-2MW installations is \$50 + \$1/kW * Manual disconnect switch only required on systems above 7.2 kW (30 amp limit)	
Portland General Electric		Annualized, March (then paid to utility program at avoided cost rate)	Retail	Energy Trust	25 kW for residential; 2 MW for commercial	*Application fee for 25 kW-2MW installations is \$50 + \$1/kW * Manual disconnect switch only required on systems above 7.2 kW (30 amp limit)	
Salem Electric	19 (4 commercial, 15 residential)	Annualized, March	Avoided Cost	\$600 for first 3 kW installed; \$300/additional kW (max 25 kW, incentive cannot exceed 50% of total project)	25 kW	*disconnect switch	*solar, wind, fuel cell, hydro, landfill gas, digester gas, waste energy crops, non-toxic biomass
Springfield Utility Board	n/a	Annualized, March	Retail	none	250 kW	*Application fee for systems > 25 kW (labor costs) *Customer pays for cost of meter and installation if > 25 kW *Customer pays for studies, equipment that SUB deems important, including disconnect switch.	*solar, wind, small hydro, landfill gas, biomass, anaerobic digestion, fuel cell

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Surprise Valley Electrification Cooperative	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Surprise Valley Electrification Corporation (Coop)	3 (2 government, 1 commercial)	Annualized	Avoided Cost	none	25 kW	n/a	*solar, wind, hydro, fuel cell *no agreements available
Tillamook People's Utility District	9	Annualized, December	Unlimited rollover, donate to low-income program, or pay out at avoided cost (customer's	none	25 kW	*Disconnect switch	*solar, wind, fuel cell, hydro *They will install an extra meter for residents who want to see how much power they are generating.
Umatilla Electric Cooperative	1	Monthly	Retail	\$500/kW (max 10 kW)	25 kW	*disconnect switch	*Solar, wind, hydro, (open to others)

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Umqua Indian Utility Cooperative	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Wasco Electric Cooperative	12	Annualized, December	Avoided Cost	none	25 kW residential; 100 kW commercial	*disconnect	*solar, wind, fuel cell, hydro
West Oregon Electric Cooperative	4	Annualized, March	Retail	none	25 kW	*\$10/month *disconnect	*solar, wind, fuel cell, hydro