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SCHEDULE 90 (continued)

Market transformation ventures will be considered eligible for funding to the extent that they improve the adoption of electric efficiency measures that are not fully accepted in the marketplace. These market transformation efforts may include efforts funded through regional alliances or other similar opportunities.

**4. FUNDING AND NONMONETARY ASSISTANCE**

**4.1 Funding**

The Company shall offer incentives for projects based upon the incremental capital cost associated with the energy efficiency of the project. Energy savings are calculated using the current retail energy rates.

The Company shall pay an incentive up to a maximum of the measure's installed cost. With the exception of low-income programs and those funded through the Company's Named Communities Investment Fund (NCIF) (as described within the Company's 2021-2024 Clean Energy Implementation Plan (CEIP)), which are not subject to Total Resource Cost (TRC) thresholds, the Company shall make adjustments to the percent of cost paid to attempt to obtain the greatest energy savings while maintaining a TRC cost-effectiveness of 1.0 or higher at the portfolio level.

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Incentives for efficiency measures within the following categories shall not exceed 100% of the project cost:

- 4.1.1** Energy efficiency programs delivered by community action agencies contracted by the Company to serve low-income or vulnerable customer segments, including agency administrative fees and health and human safety measures.
- 4.1.2** Low-cost electric efficiency measures with demonstrable energy savings.
- 4.1.3** Programs or services supporting or enhancing local, regional or national electric efficiency market transformation efforts.
- 4.1.4** Prescriptive programs are guided by the typical application of that measure in accordance with the previously defined incentive structure. Incentive levels for these programs are based on market conditions at the time of program design and are not dependent on actual project cost relative to incentive caps. Incentives shall not exceed project costs.
- 4.1.5** Incentives for demand response programs shall be allowed with a calculated value based on event, schedule or other applicable factors and may not exceed the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission day-ahead market energy price cap.
- 4.1.6** On-Bill Repayment (OBR) Program interest rate buydowns for qualifying electric energy efficiency measure financing as provided through the Company's partner lender.

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SCHEDULE 90 (continued)

**4.1.7** Incentives and programs funded through the Company's Named Communities Investment Fund. NCIF funding is limited to 100% of the project costs for installation and use of energy efficiency equipment. Equipment or repairs related to the health and safety of the customer or community is also allowed under this section.

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The Company will actively pursue electric efficiency opportunities that may not fit within the prescribed services and described in this tariff. In these circumstances the customer and the Company will enter into a site-specific services agreement.

**4.2 Non-Monetary Assistance**

Assistance without the granting of direct monetary incentives to the customer is available across all applicable segments and may be provided in various ways, that include, but are not limited to, the following:

**4.2.1. Educational**, training, or informational activities that enhance electric efficiency. This may include, but is not limited to, technology or customer-segment specific seminars, literature, tradeshow or community events, advertising, or other approaches to increasing the awareness and adoption of resource efficient measures and behaviors.

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**4.2.2. Financial** activities intended to reduce or eliminate the financial barriers to the adoption of electric efficiency measures. This may include programs intended to reduce the payment rate for resource efficiency measures, direct provision of leased or loaned funds or other approaches to financial issues with better than existing market terms and conditions.

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**4.2.3. Product samples** may be provided directly to the customer when energy efficiency products may be available to the utility at significantly reduced cost as a result of cooperative buying or similar opportunities.

**4.2.4. Technical Assistance** may consist of engineering, training, workforce development, financial, grant writing or other analysis or services provided to the customer by, or under the direction of, Company staff. This may take the form of design reviews, product demonstrations, third-party bid evaluations, facility audits, measurement and evaluation analysis, staff augmentation or other forms of technical assistance that addresses the cost- effectiveness, improvement of energy efficiency services technical applicability or end-use characteristics of customer alternatives.

**5. BUDGET & REPORTING**

The electric efficiency programs defined within this tariff will be funded by surcharges levied within Schedule 91. The Company will manage these programs to obtain resources that are cost-effective from a TRC perspective and achievable through utility intervention. Schedule 91 will be reviewed annually and revised as necessary to provide adequate funding for electric efficiency efforts.

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**6. GENERAL RULES AND PROVISIONS**

Service under this schedule is subject to the General Rules and Provisions contained in this tariff and is limited to facilities receiving electric service from the Company. All installations and equipment must comply with all local code and permit requirements applicable and be properly inspected, if required, by appropriate agencies.

The Company may establish specifications regarding any electric efficiency measures and modifications to be affected under this schedule and may conduct inspections to ensure that such specifications are met.

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