

July 2017 Production Incentive Program Updates

On July 7, 2017, Governor Inslee signed Senate Bill 5939 into law, making substantial changes to the WA State Renewable Energy Production Incentive Program!

Current Solar Customers

Great news! PSE will NOT need to further reduce incentive payment rates for energy produced during the 2016-2017 program year (or beyond). Payment rates for 2016-2017 energy production will be the same as those provided in the 2015-2016 year:

If you were certified as eligible for up to:	Your incentive rate is now:
\$.54 - Solar modules and inverter both manufactured in WA	50.4¢
\$.36 - Solar modules manufactured in WA	33.6¢
\$.18 - Solar or wind with an inverter manufactured in WA	16.8¢
\$.15 - Any other PV system (or anaerobic digester)	14¢
\$.12 - Wind turbine	11.2¢

For 2017, PSE customers certified by Washington State prior to August 1, 2017 will be eligible for these rates, up to \$5000.

Please note: The new law requires re-certification by WSU of ALL participating customers between October 1, 2017 and April 30, 2018 in order to receive payment 2018-2020. PSE will do our best to communicate this process when it becomes available.

2017 Annual Payment Process

As a state-certified PSE customer with energy produced prior to June 30, 2017, **PSE read your meters automatically, and will send you the required annual payment application with this information.** You may have received a letter from the Department of Revenue stating that you need to submit an Annual Incentive Payment Application by August 1st. **PSE customers do not need to read their meters or fill out this state form, and the August 1st deadline for the Annual Payment Application does not apply to you.** PSE will email your annual payment application in September, and you must respond in order to receive payment. If we are unable to reach you by email, the information will be mailed to you via USPS. Instructions for responding will be provided.

For the 2016-17 production year, payment will be in the form of a check, issued in the name of the primary PSE electric account holder, and will be sent to the billing address listed on your PSE account. We can no longer accommodate separate names or mailing addresses provided to the Net Metering Program or PSE Accounts Payable, nor can we offer direct deposit to bank accounts. These changes are necessary in order to serve a growing number of participants in a timely and accurate manner.

New and Prospective Solar Customers

For customers that have recently installed or are considering installing a solar array that is not State-certified by September, 30th 2017, SB 5939 creates a new WA State program.

This new program provides different payment rates and program terms for customers going forward. PSE will continue to offer this voluntary program, administering State incentives to our customers as long as they are available. Please check with your solar installer to learn about the incentive opportunities going forward. PSE will provide information from the State as it becomes available.

For any questions or issues regarding the production incentive program, please email us at netmetering@pse.com.