

PUGET SOUND ENERGY
Electric Tariff G

SCHEDULE 129
LOW INCOME PROGRAM (Continued)

BENEFITS: (Continued)

A qualifying Customer may receive assistance through this Program once during a program year. Customers shall be requalified annually by one of the Agencies (except where noted otherwise). Total benefits to an individual eligible Customer under this program are subject to an annual cap equal to the sum of (i) the LIHEAP cap (currently \$1,000.00) and (ii) the benefit amount specifically for the applicable Schedule 171 charges.

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INCOME ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA: With exceptions as noted, eligibility will be restricted to “very low-income households”, as defined by the Washington State Department of Commerce for purposes of affordable housing in RCW 43.63A.510. Currently that definition identifies households with an income not to exceed 50% of area median income. For purposes of this Program, in areas where 50% of median income exceeds 150% of federal poverty guidelines, eligibility will be capped at 150% of federal poverty guidelines; and in areas where 50% of median income falls below 125% of federal poverty guidelines, eligibility will be capped at 125% of federal poverty guidelines. To summarize, the income-eligibility ceiling for the Program fluctuates in a range between 125% and 150% of federal poverty guidelines; within the range, the precise figure equals 50% of the median income of an area. Beginning October 1, 2018, eligibility will be restricted to “very low-income households” defined as households not exceeding 150% of Federal Poverty Level (FPL) guidelines. Beginning October 1, 2018, Agencies may allow senior, disabled, and other steady-income customers to certify their Program eligibility for a two-year period. Such customers must meet the existing Program criteria and elect to certify eligibility for two years after demonstrating a steady income that meets 150% of the federal poverty level, established by steady-income payment documentation.

INFORMATION SERVICES:

1. Agencies will provide qualifying Customers with the following education and information.
 - a. Low-income weatherization program information.
 - b. Personal Energy Management (PEM) and, if applicable, Time of Day rate education.
 - c. Information on deferred payment arrangements and budget billing.
 - d. Conservation education and information.
2. The Company will provide qualifying Customers with the following information.

Information to Customers dealing with delinquent utility bills on how to access low-income assistance.

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