

FACT SHEET

Interconnection and Net Metering Of Customer-Owned Renewable Generation

WHAT

Florida Municipal Power Agency (FMPA) and its All-Requirements Project members promote the development of customer-owned renewable generation by:

- Expediting the interconnection of qualified, customer-owned renewable generation with the local utility's distribution system, and
- Enabling qualified, customer-owned renewable generation to offset the customer's electricity consumption from the local electric utility, which is known as net metering.

WHO

The net metering policy is a joint effort among 14 municipal electric utilities that obtain all their wholesale electricity from the FMPA.

The 14 cities include Bushnell, Clewiston, Fort Meade, Fort Pierce, Green Cove Springs, Havana, Jacksonville Beach, Key West, Kissimmee, Lake Worth, Leesburg, Newberry, Ocala and Starke. These utilities have policies for the interconnection and net metering of customer-owned renewable generation.

FMPA is an Orlando-based wholesale power agency owned by the municipal electric utilities it serves. FMPA is the cities' exclusive wholesale electricity supplier, so FMPA's policies are coordinated with the cities' to enable net metering from the retail customer to their local municipal electric utility.

WHAT IT MEANS

The policies provide several benefits for customers:

- 1. Promotes the development of customer-owned renewable energy
- 2. Enables customers to offset purchases from their electric utility
- 3. Enables customers to sell excess generation to their electric utility

WHAT QUALIFIES

- An electric generating system located on a customer's premises that is primarily intended to offset part or all of the customer's electricity requirements with renewable energy that is generated using one or more of the following fuels or energy sources: solar energy, wind energy, biomass, waste heat, hydrogen, geothermal energy, ocean energy or hydroelectric power.
- The generating system must also be less than two megawatts in generating capacity. (One megawatt serves on average 200 homes for the 15 municipal electric utilities.) [Note to Utility: This will depend on the individual utility policy.]

HOW TO APPLY

Interested customers should contact their local utility for application information.