

January 27, 2021

***VIA ELECTRONIC FILING***

Public Utility Commission of Oregon  
Attn: Filing Center  
201 High Street SE, Suite 100  
Salem, OR 97301-3398

**RE: Advice 21-002—Schedule 127 Community Solar Program – Optional Participation for Qualifying Customers**

On January 11, 2021, PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power (PacifiCorp or the Company) filed with Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) Advice 21-002<sup>1</sup> proposing revisions to both Schedule 127, Community Solar Program – Option Participation for Qualifying Customers (Schedule 127), and its Community Solar Program (CSP) Purchase Agreement. Commission Staff contact PacifiCorp on January 21, 2021, requesting the Company separate the two issues so Commission Staff could consider the issues individually.

At the request of Commission Staff and in compliance with ORS 757.205, OAR 860-022-0025, and OAR 860-022-0030, PacifiCorp resubmits for filing Advice 21-002. This filing includes the proposed revisions to Schedule 127 originally filed on January 11, 2021. PacifiCorp requests an effective date of February 24, 2021 for this tariff revision. An Application for Less than Statutory Notice is included with this filing.

<u>Sheet</u>	<u>Schedule/Rule</u>	<u>Title</u>
First Revision of Sheet No. 127-2	Schedule 127	Community Solar Program – Optional Participation for Qualifying Customers

**Proposal**

The proposed revisions introduce a new Bill Credit Rate of \$0.0921/kWh for 2021, reflected on page 2 of Schedule 127. The 2021 Bill Credit Rate reflects a reduction of \$0.0056/kWh from the 2020 Bill Credit Rate. PacifiCorp calculated this new Bill Credit Rate using the methodology set forth by Commission Staff in its October 4, 2019 Staff Report to the Commission.<sup>2</sup> PacifiCorp attaches a spreadsheet detailing the relevant component rates from Schedules 4, 200, and 201 used to make its calculations. The proposed revisions also include non-substantive edits to the tariff language for clarity. PacifiCorp's proposed revisions to the language of Schedule 127 are as follows:

Bill Credit Rate. The Oregon Public Utility Commission will establish a Project's Bill Credit Rate at the time of Project pre-certification. The Commission has adopted the following Bill Credit Rates

<sup>1</sup> Docket No. UM 1930, Advice Letter 21-002, January 11, 2021.

<sup>2</sup> See Appendix A to Order No. 19-392.

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~~based on the capacity of pre-certified projects to come online for Projects~~ in the Company's Service Territory:

- 1) ~~\$0.0977/ kWh – applies to first 32.3 MW to come online in the Company's service territory~~ Projects pre-certified in 2020
- 2) \$0.0921/kWh – applies to Projects pre-certified in 2021

Please direct any informal inquiries regarding this filing to Cathie Allen, Regulatory Affairs Manager, at (503) 813-5934.

Sincerely,



Michael Wilding  
Director, Net Power Costs and Regulatory Policy

Enclosure

# **Proposed Tariff Sheet**

**Definitions (continued)**

Program Implementation Manual means the set of guidelines and requirements for implementing the Community Solar Program adopted by the Commission in Order 19-438, as may be periodically amended.

Project means a solar photovoltaic energy facility used to generate electric energy on behalf of Participants and for which Participants receive credit on their electric bills as provided in OAR Chapter 860, Division 88, and the Program Implementation Manual.

Project Manager is the entity having responsibility for managing the operation of a Project, as defined in ORS 757.386(1)d).

Utility Fee means the fee that the Company collects on each Participant's utility bill to fund the Company's administration of the Community Solar Program, in accordance with OAR 860-088-0160(2).

**Billing**

Bill Credit. The Company will apply a credit to each Participant's monthly utility bill in accordance with the process and calculations set forth in ORS 757.386(6), OAR 860-088-0170, and the Program Implementation Manual. Bill credits will be applied to offset utility charges, Participation Fees, and Program Fees. The Program Administrator will calculate the value of a bill credit based on the Participant's share in the total Project generation multiplied by the Project's Bill Credit Rate.

Bill Credit Rate. The Oregon Public Utility Commission will establish a Project's Bill Credit Rate at the time of Project pre-certification. The Commission has adopted the following Bill Credit Rates for Projects in the Company's Service Territory:

- 1) \$0.0977/ kWh – applies to Projects pre-certified in 2020
- 2) \$0.0921/kWh – applies to Projects pre-certified in 2021

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Participation Fees. The Company will apply ownership or subscription fees, if applicable, to each Participant's utility bill in the amounts determined by the Program Administrator. Ownership or subscription fees will be based on the terms of each Participant's agreement with the Project Manager.

Program Fees. The Company will apply Program Fees, if applicable, to each Participant's utility bill. Program Fees will be based on each Participant's Participation Interest in the Project. Program Fees will consist of a Program Administrator Fee and a Utility Fee. Program Fees may be subject to an annual adjustment, and are currently set at the following amounts:

Program Administrator Fee:	\$0.85 /kW/month
Utility Fee:	\$0.20 /kW/month
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Program Fees (total):	\$1.05 /kW/month

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# LESS THAN STATUTORY NOTICE APPLICATION

This document may be electronically filed by sending it as an attachment to an electronic mail message addressed to the Commission's Filing Center at [puc.filingcenter@state.or.us](mailto:puc.filingcenter@state.or.us).

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power _____ (UTILITY COMPANY)	) ) ) )	UTILITY L.S.N. APPLICATION  NO. _____ (LEAVE BLANK)
TO WAIVE STATUTORY NOTICE.		

**NOTE:** ATTACH EXHIBIT IF SPACE IS INSUFFICIENT.

1. GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED SCHEDULE(S) ADDITION, DELETION, OR CHANGE. (SCHEDULE INCLUDES ALL RATES, TOLLS AND CHARGES FOR SERVICE AND ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS AFFECTING THE SAME)  
 As requested by Commission Staff on January 21, 2021, the Company is refiling Advice 21-002 to include only the proposed revisions to Schedule 127. The proposed revisions introduce a new Bill Credit Rate of \$0.0921/kWh for 2021. The 2021 Bill Credit Rate reflects a reduction of \$0.0056/kWh from the 2020 Bill Credit Rate.

2. APPLICANT DESIRES TO CHANGE THE SCHEDULE(S) NOW ON FILE KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS: (INSERT SCHEDULE REFERENCE BY NUMBER, PAGE, AND ITEM)  
 Original Sheet No. 127-2, Community Solar Program – Option Participation for Qualifying Customers

3. THE PROPOSED SCHEDULE(S) SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS: (INSERT SCHEDULE REFERENCE BY NUMBER, PAGE AND ITEM)  
 First Revision of Sheet No. 127-2, Community Solar Program – Option Participation for Qualifying Customers

4. REASONS FOR REQUESTING A WAIVER OF STATUTORY NOTICE:  
 Commission Staff contact PacifiCorp on January 21, 2021, requesting the Company refile Advice 21-002 to include only the proposed changes to Schedule 127.

5. REQUESTED EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE NEW SCHEDULE(S) OR CHANGE(S): February 24, 2021

. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	TITLE Director, Net Power Costs and Regulatory Policy	DATE January 27, 2021
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<input type="checkbox"/> APPROVED <input type="checkbox"/> DENIED	EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED SCHEDULE(S) OR CHANGE	
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	DATE	

## **Relevant Component Rates from Schedules 4, 200, and 201**

Tariff Rates as of		1/1/2021
Credit Rate Effective	Original	
Included Charges	2019 2020	2021
Transmission charge (\$/kWh)	PAC	
	\$ 0.00473 Schedule 4	\$ 0.00818
Distribution charge (\$/kWh)	\$ 0.03598 Schedule 4	\$ 0.03523
Energy charge (\$/kWh)	\$ 0.02927 Schedule 200 1st blk	\$ 0.02555
	\$ 0.02619 Schedule 201 1st blk	\$ 0.02166
	Schedule 4 (system usage	
System Usage charge (\$/kWh)	\$ 0.00072 charge for sch 200)	\$ 0.00067
	Schedule 4 (system usage	
	\$ 0.00076 charge for sch 201)	\$ 0.00079
<b>Total Residential Retail</b>		
<b>Base Rate</b>	<b>\$ 0.09770</b>	<b>\$ 0.09210</b>