

Forward-thinking homeowners and business people are now installing their own small scale systems that use the energy of the sun to produce solar photovoltaic (PV) energy. These systems can pay for themselves over time, saving energy and money. This program accelerates the payback period by offering qualifying participants a financial incentive for investing in solar PV energy.

Supporting renewable energy technologies is also a good way to help the environment. Incorporating clean energy sources, such as solar PV power, into the power supply lessens the need to burn fossil-based fuels and reduces harmful emissions.

Small scale solar PV projects installed at homes and businesses encourage others in the community to understand the benefits of renewable energy and investigate its potential for their own use.

## OVERVIEW

The Solar PV Buy-Back Rate program encourages the installation of small scale solar PV projects by providing attractive incentives to a limited number of residential and business electric customers. A solar PV system can be a good choice for customers who want to increase sustainability by processing their own electric power.

For approved participants, we will purchase 100 percent of the renewable energy from the solar PV project, under a ten-year contract. Participants will receive 30 cents per kilowatt-hour (kWh) of solar PV power purchased. By compensating the homeowner or business for the renewable energy that is generated, this program contributes to the solar PV project's return on investment.

This buy-back program is being made available in order to encourage the development of locally sited and operated renewable energy demonstrations projects.

## MORE INFORMATION

Contact us for more information. We will help you evaluate the potential of your project, provide technical support and work with you to arrange for the renewable energy buy-back.



## *Terms and Conditions*

- Participants incur all upfront development costs and assume all project risks.
- Participating projects must be interconnected to the local utility's distribution system.
- An appropriate meter will be installed to meter the electrical output of the solar PV project.
- The payment level for solar PV power purchased by the local utility is 30 cents per kWh.
- All projects require a contract with a ten-year term. At the end of the original term, the customer can choose to use the solar PV energy to offset their consumption or renew the contract at a discounted buy-back rate to be determined at that future time.
- The customer may leave the program before the end of the ten-year contract. The contract may be assigned to a new owner.
- All participating customers in Wisconsin must follow the tariff guidelines of the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC) and comply with interconnection guidelines set forth in Wisconsin Administrative Code PSC 119. This includes use of the PSC Distributed Generation Interconnection Application and Agreement. Participants will be assisted in complying with these requirements.