

EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY

ORIGINAL RATE NO. 47.1

COMMUNITY SOLAR PROGRAM ADMINISTRATIVE COST RIDER RATE

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APPLICABILITY

This rate schedule is applicable to Customers with a subscription to a Community Solar Facility and taking service under one of the Retail Service Rate Schedules listed under the Fixed CSP Credit Rate section of Rate No. 47 – Community Solar Program Credit Rate.

TERRITORY

Areas served by the Company in Doña Ana, Sierra, Otero and Luna Counties.

DEFINITIONS

“Community Solar Billing Energy” is defined as the kilowatt-hour (kWh) energy provided by Subscriber Organization to EPE that is used to calculate a Subscriber’s Community Solar Bill Credit. Community Solar Billing Energy may include applied Unsubscribed Energy. Unsubscribed Energy may not be applied to the Subscriber if the Unsubscribed Energy allocation would result in the Community Solar Billing Energy exceeding the Subscriber’s Monthly Consumption.

“Community Solar Facility” is defined as a facility that generates electricity by means of a solar photovoltaic device, and the Subscribers to the facility receive a bill credit for the electricity generated in proportion to the Subscribers’ share of the facility’s kilowatt-hour output.

“Community Solar Program” is defined as the program created through the adoption of rules by the Commission that allows for the development of community solar facilities and provides customers of a qualifying utility with the option of subscribing to and accessing solar energy produced by a community solar facility in accordance with the Community Solar Act.

“Community Solar Program Administrative Cost” is defined as the Company’s ongoing administrative costs to operate the Community Solar Program.

“Company” is defined as El Paso Electric Company.

“Customer” is defined as a retail service customer of El Paso Electric within the Company’s New Mexico jurisdiction.

“Monthly Consumption” is defined as the Customer’s billed kWh pursuant to the Customer’s currently applicable standard retail rate schedule.

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“Subscriber” is defined as a Customer that owns a subscription to a Community Solar Facility and that is by rate class a residential retail customer or a small commercial retail customer or, regardless of rate class, is a nonprofit organization, a religious organization, an Indian nation, tribe or pueblo or tribal entity, a municipality or a county in the state, a charter, private or public school as defined in Section 22-1-2 NMSA 1978, a community college as defined in Section 21-13- 2 NMSA 1978 or a public housing authority.

“Subscriber Organization” is defined as an entity that owns or operates a Community Solar Facility and may include a qualifying utility, a municipality, a county, a for-profit or nonprofit entity or organization, an Indian nation, tribe, or pueblo, a local tribal governance structure or other tribal entity authorized to transact business in New Mexico.

“Unsubscribed Energy” is defined as electricity, measured in kWh, generated by a Community Solar Facility that is not allocated to a Subscriber.

MONTHLY RATE

	Rate \$ per kWh
All Community Solar Billing Energy	\$0.00359

CHARGE DESCRIPTION

The Community Solar Program Administrative Charge will be determined by multiplying the Customer’s monthly Community Solar Billing Energy by the Rate \$ per kWh.

RECONCILIATION FILING

This rate schedule shall be revised annually to reconcile Rider revenues with actual Community Solar Program Administrative Costs (“Costs”). The Costs shall be recorded in a regulatory asset. Any over or under collection of Costs should be collected with a carrying charge that is set yearly in accordance with the New Mexico Customer Deposit Interest Rate. Any over or under collection of Costs, determined in the annual reconciliation, should be returned, or collected over a period of three years through the Rider.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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Service under this rate schedule is subject to the Company's Rules and Regulations, which are on file with the Commission and available for inspection at Company offices.

1. The Community Solar Program Administrative Charge will commence with the Customer's first billing cycle following acceptance by the Subscriber Organization and the Subscriber Organization providing EPE with Customer's account information and Community Solar Billing Energy.
2. The Community Solar Program Administrative Charge is in addition to the Customer's monthly billings pursuant to the Customer's currently applicable standard retail rate schedule.

TAX ADJUSTMENT

Billings under this rate schedule may be increased by an amount equal to the sum of taxes payable under the Gross Receipts and Compensating Tax Act and of all other taxes, fees or charges (exclusive of ad valorem, state and federal income taxes) payable by the utility and levied or assessed by any governmental authority on the public utility service rendered, or on the right or privilege of rendering the service, or on any object or event incidental to the rendition of the service.

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