



BIG COUNTRY

ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

Dear Member,

We look forward to working with you and being of service as your residential scale member-owned generation project progresses. Moving forward, please consider this schedule in your planning:

1. Upon interconnection of your member-owned generation, your class of service will change to Small General Service – Standby or Auxiliary, pursuant to Big Country Electric Cooperative (BCEC) Tariff, Rate Schedule 202.11 Small General Service – Standby or Auxiliary Service. BCEC will provide an energy-based offset in current billing cycle only for this meter for any inadvertent energy flows as a result of generation exceeding member-owner’s energy consumption.

Rate Schedule 202.11

Small General Service: Standby or Auxiliary (shown on bill as SNET)

Monthly Facility Charge (Single Phase)	\$34.00	
Energy Charge per kWh: Consumption	\$00.099665	
Energy Charge per kWh: Excess Generation Offset	\$00.056669	CR

Energy Charge Billing Example:

Consumption from BCEC	1,000 kWh at \$0.099665 per kWh	\$99.67	
Excess Generation Offset	300 kWh at \$0.056669 per kWh	<u>\$17.00</u>	CR
BCEC Energy Charge		\$82.67	

2. Provide the co-op with your project specifications. Projects are limited to a maximum 25 kW and subject to review and approval for interconnection at the desired location based on capacity and load.
3. Must be compliant with IEEE-1547 Standards for Distributed Energy Resources Interconnection and Interoperability with the Electricity Grid. Information about these standards can be accessed: <https://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy15osti/63157.pdf>. **Systems that do not demonstrate IEEE-1547 compliance cannot and will not be interconnected with the electric system of Big Country Electric Cooperative.**
4. **BCEC Member (not solar installer) must request, complete and return Agreement for Interconnection and Parallel Operation of Distributed Generation.** At this time, certificate of general liability coverage in an amount not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) must be provided. This requirement is for your protection should your installation damage our electric system or injure our lineworkers.
5. **We do require 60 days advance notice from our receipt of your project specifications, Interconnection Agreement and proof of insurance coverage to schedule inspection and interconnection.** Inform the co-op of expected completion date approximately one week prior to completion so that inspection and meter change-out can be scheduled.
6. Inspection, Meter Change-out, and Interconnection will only be performed once above-mentioned items 2-5 have been completed and documentation provided to Big Country Electric Cooperative.
7. Your account will be assessed a one-time \$75 Interconnection Fee that is required to inspect and interconnect the system, and change out the meter.
8. **Member is responsible for the cost of any system upgrades that may be required in order to interconnect with BCEC system.**
9. **BCEC is NOT LIABLE for costs of member-owned distributed generation (most commonly solar photovoltaic with or without battery storage), that is installed without:**
 - i) passing inspection by BCEC;**
 - ii) receiving permission to install from BCEC.**