Distributed Generation & Net Metering Policy



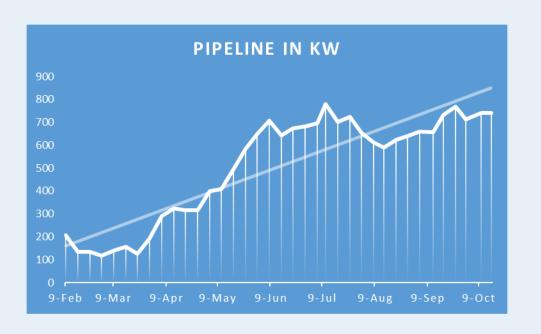
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Net Metering Pipeline





On July 1st the WA Incentives declined from \$0.21/kWh to \$0.18/kWh

- ☐ 63 Net Meter Applications in May 2018
- ☐ 64 Net Meter Applications in June 2018
- ☐ 31 Net Meter Applications in July 2018
- ☐ 44 Net Meter Applications in Aug. 2018
- ☐ 40 Net Meter Applications in Sept. 2018

Financial Impact of Net Metering



	Capacity	Cos
Legislature set cap	5.26 MW	\$2
Today	7.38 MW	\$3
Commissioner set cap	10.53 MW	\$5
	15.79 MW	\$7
Each installed MW of		
distributed generation	21.06 MW	\$1

results in a approximate \$49k cost shift to all customers.

Installed Capacity	Annual Cost Shift	Annual Cost per Customer*	% of 1996 Peak Load
5.26 MW	\$257k	\$1.33	1/2%
7.38 MW	\$304k	\$1.58	3/4%
10.53 MW	\$516k	\$2.67	1%
15.79 MW	\$774k	\$4.01	1.5%
21.06 MW	\$1.03M	\$5.34	2%

*based on 193,000 residential accounts

Staff Costs – Solar Programs



- Staff from a variety of the Clark Public Utilities departments work on solar programs:
- ☐ Energy Resources
- ☐ Finance/Accounting
- Meter Department
- ☐ Information Services

The annual staff costs related to the utility solar programs is:

\$381,504.55 (\$1.98/Customer)

Staff Recommendation



Commissioners Decision

- 1.Net Metering
- 2. Triple the Net Metering Threshold
 - a) ½% to 1% to 1.5%
 - b) This is the second time our commissioners have increased the net metering threshold
 - c) Did not set a direction once the 1.5% threshold is met.
 - d) Interesting in the seeing the results of this years legislative session.