



Solar Billing Plan Tariff Policy

APPLICABILITY: This Solar Billing Plan (SBP) tariff is applicable to a customer (hereinafter “eligible customer generator” or “customer”) who uses an eligible Renewable Electrical Generation Facility, as defined in PG&E’s Electric Schedule Net Billing Tariff (NBT) or Virtual Net Billing Tariff (NBTV) (<http://www.pge.com/tariffs>).

This rate schedule is available on a first-come, first-served basis to customers who provide PG&E with a completed PG&E NBT Application and comply with all PG&E NBT requirements as described in PG&E Electric Schedule NBT or NBTV, including load aggregation generating/ aggregated accounts. Residential SBP customers must take service on the E-ELEC (ELECTRIC HOME) rate schedule; customers that qualify for PG&E’s NBTV tariff may take service on any open applicable time-of-use rate schedule. Non-Residential SBP customers may take service on any open applicable time-of-use rate schedule.

TARIFF COMPONENTS:

RATES: All rates charged under this schedule will be in accordance with the eligible customer generator’s otherwise-applicable Ava rate schedule and Ava service plan (i.e. Bright Choice, or Renewable 100).

Compensation for energy exported to the grid will be based on the Solar Billing Plan Energy Export Credit values and applicable bonus credit values in accordance with this tariff, as described in section “SUPPLEMENTARY CREDITS.”

BILLING: Customers with SBP service will be billed as follows:
Energy the customer receives from Ava Community Energy will be billed at the retail rate of their otherwise-applicable Ava rate schedule and Ava service plan.

Overgeneration, or energy sent from the customer’s photovoltaic system to the grid, will be credited at the values indicated at <https://www.pge.com/energyexportcredit>, which are based on the Avoided Cost Calculator, also known as the Energy Export Credit values. Supplementary credits for energy exports may apply, as explained below.

ELIGIBLE RENEWABLE FACILITY: An eligible Renewable Electrical Generation Facility must operate within the capacity limits described in PG&E’s Electric Schedule NBT or NBTV, and must be located on the customer’s owned, leased, or rented premises, must be interconnected and operate in parallel with PG&E’s transmission and distribution systems, and should be intended primarily to offset part or all of the customer’s own electrical requirements.

SUPPLEMENTARY CREDITS:

ACC Plus, or Energy Export Bonus Credit

An Avoided Cost Calculator Plus (ACC Plus) adder, in the form of a credit in cents per kilowatt-hour exported, is available to residential SBP customers who interconnect from 2023 to 2027. The values for the ACC Plus adder will decrease by 20 percent annually over five years, as shown in the table below, until the adder reaches zero in 2028. The credit value is higher for low-income customers who are enrolled in the California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) or Family Electric Rate Assistance (FERA) programs or reside in a disadvantaged community or Indian Country. The ACC Plus value applicable to a given customer will be based on the customer’s first calendar year of interconnection and will remain constant for a customer for nine years from the customer’s Permission to Operate (PTO) date. The ACC Plus may also be referred to as the “Energy Export Bonus Credit.”

The ACC Plus adder may be a discrete line on the customer’s utility bill. The ACC Plus adder will apply to all energy exports (kWh) to the grid. Unused credits will rollover to future bills.

Ava will receive customer ACC Plus eligibility characteristics from PG&E.

The ACC Plus is not available to:

- (i). Customers transitioning from the NEM/NEM2 tariff to NBT tariff at the end of their legacy period;
- (ii). Customers who have purchased a building with an existing system (Change of Party Customers);
- (iii). Non-Residential Customers; and
- (iv). Customers who are required to add solar (e.g., by California’s building code).

Table 1: ACC Plus, or **Energy Export Bonus Credits**

Interconnection Year	Residential \$/kWh	Low Income \$/kWh
2023	\$0.022	\$0.090
2024	\$0.018	\$0.072
2025	\$0.013	\$0.054
2026	\$0.009	\$0.036
2027	\$0.004	\$0.018

Ava Bonus Credit

All Ava SBP customers (including non-residential SBP customers and residential customers who are not eligible for ACC Plus) will also receive the appropriate Ava bonus credit until their final billing cycle in 2029. Ava may modify or remove the supplementary credits starting with the first billing cycle in 2030 and will update this tariff by December 31, 2029.

Table 2: **Ava Bonus Credits**

	Non-CARE/FERA residential and non-residential	CARE/FERA residential
Credit Amount	\$0.025 per kWh	\$0.01 per kWh
Time of Day to Apply Credit	3-8pm everyday	24 hours a day, every day

The Ava Bonus Credit may be a discrete line on the customer’s utility bill. The Ava Bonus Credit will apply to energy exports (kWh) to the grid during the applicable hours. Unused credits will roll over to the next bill.

True-up and Cash-out

SBP customers will receive a statement in their monthly PG&E bills indicating any accrued charges for their usage during the current billing cycle. Customers who have accrued credits during previous billing cycles will see these credits applied against current charges.

a) Monthly Settlement of Ava Charges/Credits:

SBP customers will receive a statement in their monthly PG&E bills indicating any accrued charges for their usage during the current billing cycle. Customers who have accrued credits during previous billing cycles will see these credits applied against current charges. Any remaining balance is due and must be paid during each monthly billing cycle.

b) Ava Cash-Out:

During the April billing cycle of each year, all current Ava SBP customers with a cash-out credit balance of more than \$100 will be offered a direct payment by check for this balance. Any cash-out credit balance will be determined as of the final date of the customer’s March- April billing cycle (i.e. the first bill period ending on or after April 1). Customers who participate in the Ava Cash-Out or transfer process will have an equivalent credit removed from their SBP account balance at the time of check issuance or transfer. In the event that a customer’s credit balance is less than \$100, such credits will continue to be tracked by Ava and will remain on the customer’s account for future use (i.e., reduction of future Ava charges).

NSC Provision, Applied to Cash-out

NET SURPLUS COMPENSATION (NSC): Pursuant to P.U. Code Sections 2827 (h)(3), this Special Condition was established to provide a NEM customer having Net Surplus Electricity (defined as all electricity generated by an eligible customer measured in kilowatt-hours over a Relevant Period that exceeds the amount of electricity consumed by that eligible customer), with Net Surplus Compensation for the Net Surplus Electricity. This benefit is extended to SBP customers pursuant to Decision (D). 22-12-056.

A SBP customer who has Net Surplus Electricity will be known as a Net Surplus Generator.

- a. NSC Applicability – All bundled Net Surplus Generators that satisfy the conditions in the Applicability Section of this tariff and take service under this rate schedule are eligible to receive NSC at the end of the Relevant Period, i.e. at the time of their true-up. This includes Net Surplus Generators on schedule NBTV and sub-schedules NBTA, NBT-S, NBT-EXP, NBT-PS and NBTEXP-OTR. An NBT-MT Net Surplus Generator is also eligible to receive NSC but only for the one or more generators at the same metered account eligible for billing treatment under Special Condition.

b. The NSC Rate – The NSC Rate is defined as the simple rolling average of PG&E’s default load aggregation point (DLAP) price from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., for a 12-month period. Ava shall use the NSC Rate as the value of the electricity portion of its net surplus compensation rate. PG&E will calculate the NSC Rate each month. It will be effective on the first day of that month and Ava will use it in the NSC Calculation for any Net Surplus Generators with a Relevant Period completed in that month (True-Up Month).

c. Compensation applied for surplus generation - If the customer has net surplus electricity, the kilowatt hours of net surplus electricity will be debited from the customer’s account at a rate equal to PG&E’s average real world retail export compensation rates for all NBT customers in their service territory over the past 12 months. This reduces the credit amount by the approximate value of export credits already provided for the same surplus energy. The customer will then be credited at the NSC rate described in (b) above for the same number of kilowatt hours of net surplus electricity. Customers will receive their NSC annually in April following the “Ava Cash-Out” process outlined above.

Return to PG&E Bundled Service or Account Closure

Ava customers with SBP service may opt out and return to PG&E bundled service at any time. Customers should be advised that PG&E will perform a true-up of their account at the time of return to PG&E bundled service, and that PG&E’s standard terms for transitional rates apply to customer returns with less than a six-month advance notice if they have been an Ava customer for 60 days or more.

If an Ava SBP customer opts out of the Ava program and returns to PG&E bundled service, or closes their account with PG&E, Ava will cash-out any remaining generation credits on the account (using the approach detailed in the True-up and Cash-out section above) and mail a check to the billing address. The \$100 minimum for a check does not apply to closed or opted out customers.

PG&E SBP Services

Ava SBP customers are subject to the conditions and billing procedures of PG&E for their non-generation services, as described in PG&E’s Electric Schedule NBT and related PG&E tariff options addressing SBP service. Customers should be advised that while Ava settles out balances for generation, PG&E will continue to assess charges for delivery, transmission and other services. Customers are encouraged to review PG&E’s most up-to-date NBT tariffs, which are available from PG&E.